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***AN ACT CONCERNING COMPREHENSIVE CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM FOR STATE-WIDE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held*  
2       *in 2010, and thereafter*) As used in sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,  
3       inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act:

4       (1) "Commission" means the State Elections Enforcement  
5       Commission.

6       (2) "Convention" means "convention", as defined in section 9-372 of  
7       the general statutes.

8       (3) "Depository account" means the single checking account at the  
9       depository institution designated as the depository for the candidate  
10       committee's moneys in accordance with the provisions of subsection  
11       (a) of section 9-333f of the general statutes.

12       (4) "Elector" means any person possessing the qualifications

13 prescribed by the constitution and duly admitted to, and entitled to  
14 exercise, the privileges of an elector in a town.

15 (5) "Fund" means the Citizens' Election Fund established in section 2  
16 of this act.

17 (6) "Lobbyist" has the same meaning as "lobbyist", as defined in  
18 section 1-91 of the general statutes.

19 (7) "Major party" means "major party", as defined in section 9-372 of  
20 the general statutes.

21 (8) "Minor party" means "minor party", as defined in section 9-372 of  
22 the general statutes.

23 (9) "Permitted expenditure amount" means the aggregate of (A) the  
24 amount of qualifying contributions permitted in section 9 of this act,  
25 (B) the applicable amount of contributions that a candidate committee  
26 receives from party committees in accordance with the provisions of  
27 section 9-333s of the general statutes, as amended by this act, and (C)  
28 the amount of grants that a candidate committee receives from the  
29 Citizens' Election Fund.

30 (10) "Qualified candidate committee" means a candidate committee  
31 (A) established to aid or promote the success of any candidate for  
32 nomination or election on or after January 1, 2010, to a state office, and  
33 (B) which is approved by the commission to receive a grant from the  
34 Citizens' Election Fund under section 14 of this act.

35 (11) "State office" means the office of Governor, Lieutenant  
36 Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer,  
37 Secretary of the State, state senator or state representative.

38 (12) "State office election" means the election for state offices held on  
39 the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in every fourth  
40 year in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of  
41 Connecticut.

42 (13) "Associated business" has the same meaning as "business with  
43 which he is associated", as defined in section 9-333a, of the general  
44 statutes, as amended.

45 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
46 *2010, and thereafter*) There is established, within the General Fund, a  
47 separate, nonlapsing account to be known as the "Citizens' Election  
48 Fund". The fund may contain any moneys required by law to be  
49 deposited in the fund. Investment earnings credited to the assets of the  
50 fund shall become part of the assets of the fund. All moneys deposited  
51 in the fund shall be used for the purposes of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6  
52 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act. The State Elections  
53 Enforcement Commission may deduct and retain from the moneys in  
54 the fund an amount equal to the costs incurred by the commission in  
55 administering the provisions of said sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,  
56 inclusive, and 38 and 39, provided said amount shall not exceed three  
57 per cent of the moneys deposited in the fund in any fiscal year. Any  
58 portion of said three per cent allocation which exceeds said costs  
59 incurred by the commission in any fiscal year shall continue to be  
60 available for any said costs incurred by the commission in subsequent  
61 fiscal years.

62 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to taxable years*  
63 *commencing on or after January 1, 2004*) (a) (1) Any taxpayer filing a  
64 return under chapter 229 of the general statutes for taxable years  
65 commencing on or after January 1, 2004, may contribute all or part of a  
66 refund under said chapter 229 to the Citizens' Election Fund  
67 established in section 2 of this act, by indicating on the tax return the  
68 amount to be contributed to the fund. Subject to the limit set forth in  
69 subdivision (4) of this subsection, the maximum amount of any such  
70 contribution shall be five thousand dollars per calendar year, except  
71 that, in the case of a husband and wife filing a joint tax return, the  
72 maximum amount of any such contribution shall be ten thousand  
73 dollars per calendar year.

74       (2) Any taxpayer filing a return under chapter 229 of the general  
75 statutes for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2004,  
76 whose income tax liability for the taxable year, before applying any  
77 credit under section 12-704c of the general statutes, as amended, is five  
78 dollars or more, may designate that five dollars of such tax liability  
79 shall be paid over to the fund by so indicating on the tax return. In the  
80 case of a husband and wife filing a joint return with an income tax  
81 liability of ten dollars or more, each spouse may designate that five  
82 dollars of such tax liability shall be paid over to the fund by so  
83 indicating on the tax return. Any designation made pursuant to this  
84 subdivision shall not increase the taxpayer's income tax liability.

85       (3) Any taxpayer filing a return under chapter 229 of the general  
86 statutes may contribute an additional amount to the Citizens' Election  
87 Fund established in section 2 of this act, by indicating on the tax return  
88 the amount to be contributed to the fund. Subject to the limit set forth  
89 in subdivision (4) of this subsection, the maximum amount of any such  
90 contribution shall be five thousand dollars per calendar year, except  
91 that, in the case of a husband and wife filing a joint tax return, the  
92 maximum amount of any such contribution shall be ten thousand  
93 dollars per calendar year. Any contribution made pursuant to this  
94 subdivision shall be in addition to the amount of tax reported to be  
95 due on such return and shall be paid at the same time as the tax due on  
96 such return is paid and in the manner prescribed by the Commissioner  
97 of Revenue Services.

98       (4) The total combined contributions that a taxpayer may make  
99 under subdivisions (1) and (3) of this subsection shall be five thousand  
100 dollars per calendar year, except that, in the case of a husband and  
101 wife filing a joint tax return, the total combined contributions that such  
102 husband and wife may make under subdivisions (1) and (3) of this  
103 subsection shall be ten thousand dollars per calendar year.

104       (b) A contribution or designation made pursuant to this section shall  
105 be irrevocable upon the filing of the return. A taxpayer making a

106 contribution or designation pursuant to this subsection shall so  
107 indicate on the tax return in a manner provided for by the  
108 Commissioner of Revenue Services pursuant to subsection (c) of this  
109 section.

110 (c) The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall revise the income  
111 tax return form to implement the provisions of subsection (a) of this  
112 section. Such form shall include (1) a space on the return in which  
113 taxpayers may indicate their intention to make a contribution or  
114 designation in accordance with this section, and (2) instructions for  
115 payment of any contribution under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of  
116 this section. The commissioner shall include in the instructions  
117 accompanying the tax return a description of the purposes for which  
118 the Citizens' Election Fund was established.

119 (d) A contribution of all or part of a refund shall be made in the full  
120 amount indicated if the refund found due the taxpayer upon the initial  
121 processing of the return, and after any deductions required by chapter  
122 229 of the general statutes, is greater than or equal to the indicated  
123 contribution. If the refund due, as determined upon initial processing,  
124 and after any deductions required by said chapter 229, is less than the  
125 indicated contribution, the contribution shall be made in the full  
126 amount of the refund. The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall  
127 subtract the amount of any contribution of all or part of a refund from  
128 the amount of the refund initially found due the taxpayer and shall  
129 certify (1) the amount of the refund initially found due the taxpayer,  
130 (2) the amount of any such contribution, and (3) the amount of the  
131 difference to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and  
132 the State Treasurer for payment to the taxpayer in accordance with  
133 said chapter 229. For the purposes of any subsequent determination of  
134 the taxpayer's net tax payment, such contribution shall be considered a  
135 part of the refund paid to the taxpayer.

136 (e) The Commissioner of Revenue Services, after notification of and  
137 approval by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management,

138 may deduct and retain from the moneys collected under subsections  
139 (a) to (d), inclusive, of this section an amount equal to the costs of  
140 administering this section, but not to exceed four per cent of such  
141 moneys collected in any fiscal year. The Commissioner of Revenue  
142 Services shall deposit the remaining moneys collected in the Citizens'  
143 Election Fund.

144 (f) An amount equal to the amount contributed by a taxpayer under  
145 subdivisions (1) and (3) of subsection (a) of this section with respect to  
146 the preceding taxable year of the taxpayer shall be subtracted from the  
147 adjusted gross income of the taxpayer for the purposes of determining  
148 the Connecticut adjusted gross income of the taxpayer in section 12-  
149 701 of the general statutes, as amended.

150 Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to taxable years*  
151 *commencing on or after January 1, 2004*) (a) (1) Any taxpayer filing a  
152 return under chapter 208 of the general statutes for taxable years  
153 commencing on or after January 1, 2004, may contribute all or part of a  
154 refund under said chapter 208 to the Citizens' Election Fund  
155 established in section 2 of this act, by indicating on the tax return the  
156 amount to be contributed to the fund. Subject to the limit set forth in  
157 subdivision (4) of this subsection, the maximum amount of any such  
158 contribution shall be ten thousand dollars per calendar year.

159 (2) Any taxpayer filing a return under chapter 208 of the general  
160 statutes for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2004,  
161 whose income tax liability for the taxable year, before applying any  
162 credits under chapter 208 of the general statutes, is five dollars or  
163 more, may designate that two hundred dollars of such tax liability or,  
164 if such tax liability is less than two hundred dollars, the full amount of  
165 such tax liability, shall be paid over to the Citizens' Election Fund  
166 established in section 2 of this act, by so indicating on the tax return.  
167 Any designation made pursuant to this subdivision shall not increase  
168 the taxpayer's income tax liability.

169 (3) Any taxpayer filing a return under chapter 208 of the general

170 statutes may contribute an additional amount to the Citizens' Election  
171 Fund established in section 2 of this act, by indicating on the tax return  
172 the amount to be contributed to the fund. Subject to the limit set forth  
173 in subdivision (4) of this subsection, the maximum amount of any such  
174 contribution shall be ten thousand dollars per calendar year. Any  
175 contribution made pursuant to this subdivision shall be in addition to  
176 the amount of tax reported to be due on such return and shall be paid  
177 at the same time as the tax due on such return is paid and in the  
178 manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Revenue Services.

179 (4) The total combined contributions that a taxpayer may make  
180 under subdivisions (1) and (3) of this subsection shall be ten thousand  
181 dollars per calendar year.

182 (b) A contribution or designation made pursuant to this section shall  
183 be irrevocable upon the filing of the return. A taxpayer making a  
184 contribution or designation pursuant to this subsection shall so  
185 indicate on the tax return in a manner provided for by the  
186 Commissioner of Revenue Services pursuant to subsection (c) of this  
187 section.

188 (c) The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall revise the income  
189 tax return form to implement the provisions of subsection (a) of this  
190 section. Such form shall include (1) a space on the return in which  
191 taxpayers may indicate their intention to make a contribution or  
192 designation in accordance with this section, and (2) instructions for  
193 payment of any contribution under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of  
194 this section. The commissioner shall include in the instructions  
195 accompanying the tax return a description of the purposes for which  
196 the Citizens' Election Fund was established.

197 (d) A contribution of all or part of a refund shall be made in the full  
198 amount indicated if the refund found due the taxpayer upon the initial  
199 processing of the return, and after any deductions required by chapter  
200 208 of the general statutes, is greater than or equal to the indicated  
201 contribution. If the refund due, as determined upon initial processing

202 and after any deductions required by said chapter 208, is less than the  
 203 indicated contribution, the contribution shall be made in the full  
 204 amount of the refund. The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall  
 205 subtract the amount of any contribution of all or part of a refund from  
 206 the amount of the refund initially found due the taxpayer and shall  
 207 certify (1) the amount of the refund initially due the taxpayer, (2) the  
 208 amount of any such contribution, and (3) the amount of the difference  
 209 to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the State  
 210 Treasurer for payment to the taxpayer in accordance with said chapter  
 211 208. For the purposes of any subsequent determination of the  
 212 taxpayer's net tax payment, such contribution shall be considered a  
 213 part of the refund paid to the taxpayer.

214 (e) The Commissioner of Revenue Services, after notification of and  
 215 approval by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management,  
 216 may deduct and retain from the moneys collected under subsections  
 217 (a) to (d), inclusive, of this section an amount equal to the costs of  
 218 administering this section, but not to exceed four per cent of such  
 219 moneys collected in any fiscal year. The Commissioner of Revenue  
 220 Services shall deposit the remaining moneys collected in the Citizens'  
 221 Election Fund.

222 (f) An amount equal to the amount contributed by a taxpayer under  
 223 subdivisions (1) and (3) of subsection (a) of this section with respect to  
 224 the preceding taxable year of the taxpayer shall be deducted from the  
 225 gross income of the taxpayer in arriving at net income as defined in  
 226 section 12-213 of the general statutes.

227 Sec. 5. Subsection (e) of section 9-333j of the general statutes, as  
 228 amended by section 5 of public act 03-223 and section 62 of public act  
 229 03-241, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
 230 (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and*  
 231 *thereafter*):

232 (e) (1) Notwithstanding any provisions of this chapter to the  
 233 contrary, in the event of a surplus the campaign treasurer of a



234 candidate committee or of a political committee, other than a political  
235 committee formed for ongoing political activities or an exploratory  
236 committee, shall distribute or expend such surplus [within] not later  
237 than ninety days after a primary which results in the defeat of the  
238 candidate, an election or referendum not held in November or by  
239 January thirty-first following an election or referendum held in  
240 November, in the following manner:

241 (A) Such committees may distribute their surplus to a party  
242 committee, or a political committee organized for ongoing political  
243 activities, return such surplus to all contributors to the committee on a  
244 prorated basis of contribution, distribute all or any part of such surplus  
245 to the Citizens' Election Fund established in section 2 of this act or  
246 distribute such surplus to any charitable organization which is a tax-  
247 exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue  
248 Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code  
249 of the United States, as from time to time amended, provided (i) no  
250 candidate committee may distribute such surplus to a committee  
251 which has been established to finance future political campaigns of the  
252 candidate, (ii) a candidate committee which received moneys from the  
253 Citizens' Election Fund shall distribute such surplus to such fund, and  
254 (iii) a candidate committee formed to aid or promote the success of a  
255 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant  
256 Governor, the candidate of which campaigns jointly with a candidate  
257 for nomination or election to the office of Governor shall distribute  
258 such surplus in accordance with the provisions of section 17 of this act;

259 (B) Each such political committee established by an organization  
260 which received its funds from the organization's treasury shall return  
261 its surplus to its sponsoring organization;

262 (C) (i) Each political committee formed solely to aid or promote the  
263 success or defeat of any referendum question, which does not receive  
264 contributions from a business entity or an organization, shall distribute  
265 its surplus to a party committee, to a political committee organized for

266 ongoing political activities, to a national committee of a political party,  
267 to all contributors to the committee on a prorated basis of contribution,  
268 to state or municipal governments or agencies or to any organization  
269 which is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the  
270 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding  
271 internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time  
272 amended. [ (ii) each] Each political committee formed solely to aid or  
273 promote the success or defeat of any referendum question, which  
274 receives contributions from a business entity or an organization, shall  
275 distribute its surplus to all contributors to the committee on a prorated  
276 basis of contribution, to state or municipal governments or agencies, or  
277 to any organization which is tax-exempt under said provisions of the  
278 Internal Revenue Code. Notwithstanding the provisions of this  
279 subsection, a committee formed for a single referendum shall not be  
280 required to expend its surplus within ninety days after the referendum  
281 and may continue in existence if a substantially similar referendum  
282 question on the same issue will be submitted to the electorate within  
283 six months after the first referendum. If two or more substantially  
284 similar referenda on the same issue are submitted to the electorate,  
285 each no more than six months apart, the committee shall expend such  
286 surplus within ninety days following the date of the last such  
287 referendum;

288 (D) The campaign treasurer of the candidate committee of a  
289 candidate who is elected to office may, upon the authorization of such  
290 candidate, expend surplus campaign funds to pay for the cost of  
291 clerical, secretarial or other office expenses necessarily incurred by  
292 such candidate in preparation for taking office; except such surplus  
293 shall not be distributed for the personal benefit of any individual or to  
294 any organization; and

295 (E) The campaign treasurer of a candidate committee, or of a  
296 political committee, other than a political committee formed for  
297 ongoing political activities or an exploratory committee, shall, prior to  
298 the dissolution of such committee, either (i) distribute any equipment

309 purchased, including but not limited to computer equipment, to any  
300 recipient as set forth in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, or (ii) sell  
301 any equipment purchased, including but not limited to computer  
302 equipment, to any person for fair market value and then distribute the  
303 proceeds of such sale to any recipient as set forth in said subparagraph  
304 (A).

305 (2) Notwithstanding any provisions of this chapter to the contrary,  
306 the campaign treasurer of the candidate committee of a candidate who  
307 has withdrawn from a primary or election may, prior to the primary or  
308 election, distribute its surplus to any organization which is tax-exempt  
309 under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any  
310 subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States,  
311 as from time to time amended, or return such surplus to all  
312 contributors to the committee on a prorated basis of contribution.

313 (3) [Within] Not later than seven days after such distribution or  
314 [within] not later than seven days after all funds have been expended  
315 in accordance with subparagraph (D) of subdivision (1) of this  
316 subsection, the campaign treasurer shall file a supplemental statement,  
317 sworn under penalty of false statement, with the proper authority,  
318 identifying all further contributions received since the previous  
319 statement and explaining how any surplus has been distributed or  
320 expended in accordance with this section. No surplus may be  
321 distributed or expended until after the election, primary or  
322 referendum.

323 (4) In the event of a deficit the campaign treasurer shall file a  
324 supplemental statement ninety days after an election, primary or  
325 referendum not held in November or on the seventh calendar day in  
326 February, or the next business day if such day is a Saturday, Sunday or  
327 legal holiday, after an election or referendum held in November, with  
328 the proper authority and, thereafter, on the seventh day of each month  
329 following if on the last day of the previous month there was an  
330 increase or decrease in the deficit in excess of five hundred dollars

331 from that reported on the last statement filed. The campaign treasurer  
332 shall file such supplemental statements as required until the deficit is  
333 eliminated. If any such committee does not have a surplus or a deficit,  
334 the statement required to be filed [within] not later than forty-five days  
335 following any election or referendum not held in November or on the  
336 seventh calendar day in January, or the next business day if such day is  
337 a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, following an election or  
338 referendum held in November, or [within] not later than thirty days  
339 following any primary shall be the last required statement.

340       Sec. 6. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004*) All payments of civil penalties  
341 or late fees imposed by the State Elections Enforcement Commission or  
342 the Secretary of the State under title 9 of the general statutes or by the  
343 State Ethics Commission under chapter 10 of the general statutes,  
344 which are received after the effective date of this section, shall be  
345 immediately transmitted to the State Treasurer for deposit in the  
346 Citizens' Election Fund established in section 2 of this act.

347       Sec. 7. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004*) Any person, business entity,  
348 organization, party committee or political committee, as defined in  
349 section 9-333a of the general statutes, as amended, may contribute to  
350 the Citizens' Election Fund. Any such contribution shall be made by  
351 check or money order. The commission shall immediately transmit all  
352 contributions received pursuant to this section to the State Treasurer  
353 for deposit in the Citizens' Election Fund.

354       Sec. 8. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
355 *2010, and thereafter*) There is established a Citizens' Election Program  
356 under which the candidate committee of a candidate for nomination or  
357 election to a state office in 2010, or thereafter may receive grants from  
358 the Citizens' Election Fund for the candidate's campaign for such  
359 office. Any such candidate is eligible to receive such grants if (1) the  
360 candidate's candidate committee receives the required amount of  
361 qualifying contributions described in section 9 of this act, (2) the  
362 candidate's candidate committee returns all contributions that are not

363 qualifying contributions as described in section 9 of this act, (3) the  
364 candidate's exploratory committee, if any, returns all contributions that  
365 do not meet the criteria for qualifying contributions to a candidate  
366 committee as described in section 9 of this act, (4) the candidate agrees  
367 to limit campaign expenditures to not more than the aggregate of (A)  
368 the amount of qualifying contributions permitted in section 9 of this  
369 act, (B) the applicable amount of contributions that the candidate  
370 committee receives from party committees in accordance with the  
371 provisions of section 9-333s of the general statutes, as amended by this  
372 act, and (C) the amount of such grant or grants, and (5) the candidate  
373 complies with the requirements of section 14 of this act.

374       Sec. 9. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
375 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) The amount of qualifying contributions which  
376 the candidate committee of a candidate needs to receive in order to be  
377 eligible for grants from the Citizens' Election Fund shall be:

378       (1) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office  
379 of Governor, contributions from individuals in the aggregate amount  
380 of two hundred thousand dollars, of which one hundred eighty  
381 thousand dollars or more is contributed by individuals residing in the  
382 state, provided (A) the candidate committee shall return the portion of  
383 any contribution or contributions from an individual other than such  
384 candidate that exceeds one hundred dollars, and such excess portion  
385 shall not be considered in calculating such amounts, and (B) all  
386 contributions received by an exploratory committee that meet the  
387 criteria for qualifying contributions to candidate committees under this  
388 section shall be considered in calculating such amounts;

389       (2) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office  
390 of Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State  
391 Treasurer or Secretary of the State, contributions from individuals in  
392 the aggregate amount of forty thousand dollars, of which thirty-six  
393 thousand dollars or more is contributed by individuals residing in the  
394 state, provided (A) the candidate committee shall return the portion of

395 any contribution or contributions from an individual other than such  
396 candidate that exceeds one hundred dollars, and such excess portion  
397 shall not be considered in calculating such amounts, and (B) all  
398 contributions received by an exploratory committee that meet the  
399 criteria for qualifying contributions to candidate committees under this  
400 section shall be considered in calculating such amounts;

401 (3) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office  
402 of state senator, contributions from individuals in the aggregate  
403 amount of twenty thousand dollars, of which eighteen thousand  
404 dollars or more is contributed by individuals residing in the state,  
405 provided (A) the candidate committee shall return the portion of any  
406 contribution or contributions from an individual other than such  
407 candidate that exceeds one hundred dollars, and such excess portion  
408 shall not be considered in calculating such amounts, and (B) all  
409 contributions received by an exploratory committee that meet the  
410 criteria for qualifying contributions to candidate committees under this  
411 section shall be considered in calculating such amounts; and

412 (4) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office  
413 of state representative, contributions from individuals in the aggregate  
414 amount of five thousand dollars, of which four thousand five hundred  
415 dollars or more is contributed by individuals residing in the state,  
416 provided (A) the candidate committee shall return the portion of any  
417 contribution or contributions from an individual other than such  
418 candidate that exceeds one hundred dollars, and such excess portion  
419 shall not be considered in calculating such amounts, and (B) all  
420 contributions received by an exploratory committee that meet the  
421 criteria for qualifying contributions to candidate committees under this  
422 section shall be considered in calculating such amounts.

423 (b) Each individual who makes a contribution to a candidate  
424 committee established to aid or promote the success of a participating  
425 candidate for nomination or election to a state office shall include with  
426 the contribution a certification that (1) neither the individual nor the

427 individual's spouse is a lobbyist, and (2) neither the individual, the  
428 individual's spouse nor an associated business of the individual or the  
429 individual's spouse has a contract with the state. A contribution from  
430 (A) a lobbyist or the spouse of a lobbyist, or (B) an individual who has  
431 a contract with the state, said individual's spouse or an individual  
432 whose associated business or spouse's associated business has a  
433 contract with the state shall not be deemed to be a qualifying  
434 contribution under subsection (a) of this section and shall be returned  
435 by the candidate committee.

436 (c) Each individual who makes a contribution to a candidate  
437 committee established to aid or promote the success of a participating  
438 candidate for nomination or election to a state office shall include the  
439 individual's name and address with the contribution. A contribution  
440 (1) from an individual that does not include such information, or (2)  
441 from an individual who does not reside in the state, in excess of the  
442 applicable limit on contributions from nonresidents in subsection (a) of  
443 this section, shall not be deemed to be a qualifying contribution under  
444 said subsection (a) and shall be returned by the candidate committee.

445 Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
446 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) The qualified candidate committee of a major  
447 party or minor party candidate for the office of Governor, who does  
448 not have a primary for nomination to such office, shall be eligible to  
449 receive a grant for each portion of the campaign for such office as  
450 follows: (1) Selection and support of delegates to a convention or  
451 circulation of petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of public  
452 act 03-241, one hundred fifty thousand dollars; and (2) general election,  
453 two million one hundred thousand dollars.

454 (b) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or minor  
455 party candidate for the office of Governor, who has a primary for  
456 nomination to such office, shall be eligible to receive a grant for each  
457 portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1) Selection and  
458 support of delegates to a convention or circulation of petitions

459 pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of public act 03-241, one hundred  
460 fifty thousand dollars; (2) primary for nomination, eight hundred  
461 thousand dollars; and (3) general election, one million seven hundred  
462 thousand dollars.

463 (c) The qualified candidate committee of a petitioning party  
464 candidate for the office of Governor shall be eligible to receive a grant  
465 for each portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1)  
466 Petitioning for ballot access, eight hundred thousand dollars; and (2)  
467 general election, one million four hundred fifty thousand dollars.

468 (d) Not later than January 15, 2011, and annually thereafter, the  
469 commission shall compute an increase in the monetary amount that is  
470 required to be included in the calculations under subsection (a) to (c),  
471 inclusive, of this section. The percentage of such increase shall equal  
472 the percentage increase in the average of the bulk mail rates of the  
473 United States Postal Service during the preceding calendar year.

474 Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
475 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) The qualified candidate committee of a major  
476 party or minor party candidate for the office of Attorney General, State  
477 Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State, who does not  
478 have a primary for nomination to such office, shall be eligible to  
479 receive a grant for each portion of the campaign for such office as  
480 follows: (1) Selection and support of delegates to a convention or  
481 circulation of petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of public  
482 act 03-241, ten thousand dollars; and (2) general election, two hundred  
483 seventy thousand dollars.

484 (b) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or minor  
485 party candidate for the office of Attorney General, State Comptroller,  
486 State Treasurer or Secretary of the State, who has a primary for  
487 nomination to such office, shall be eligible to receive a grant for each  
488 portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1) Selection and  
489 support of delegates to a convention or circulation of petitions  
490 pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of public act 03-241, ten thousand



491 dollars; (2) primary for nomination, one hundred thirty thousand  
492 dollars; and (3) general election, one hundred sixty-five thousand  
493 dollars.

494 (c) The qualified candidate committee of a petitioning party  
495 candidate for the office of Attorney General, State Comptroller, State  
496 Treasurer or Secretary of the State shall be eligible to receive a grant for  
497 each portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1) Petitioning  
498 for ballot access, one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars; and (2)  
499 general election, one hundred sixty-five thousand dollars.

500 (d) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office  
501 of Lieutenant Governor shall be eligible to receive grants from the  
502 Citizens' Election Fund for the selection and support of delegates to a  
503 convention or circulation of petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3,  
504 inclusive of public act 03-241, primary for nomination and petitioning  
505 for ballot access, in the same amounts as the grants for such campaigns  
506 for qualified candidate committees of candidates for the offices of  
507 Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer and Secretary of  
508 the State. The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the  
509 office of Lieutenant Governor shall not receive a grant for the general  
510 election campaign.

511 (e) Not later than January 15, 2011, and annually thereafter, the  
512 commission shall compute an increase in the monetary amount that is  
513 required to be included in the calculations under subsections (a) to (d),  
514 inclusive, of this section. The percentage of such increase shall equal  
515 the percentage increase in the average of the bulk mail rates of the  
516 United States Postal Service during the preceding calendar year.

517 Sec. 12. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
518 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) The qualified candidate committee of a major  
519 party or minor party candidate for the office of state senator, who does  
520 not have a primary for nomination to such office, shall be eligible to  
521 receive a grant for each portion of the campaign for such office as  
522 follows: (1) Selection and support of delegates to a convention or

523 circulation of petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of public  
524 act 03-241, five thousand dollars; and (2) general election, eighty  
525 thousand dollars.

526 (b) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or minor  
527 party candidate for the office of state senator, who has a primary for  
528 nomination to such office, shall be eligible to receive a grant for each  
529 portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1) Selection and  
530 support of delegates to a convention or circulation of petitions  
531 pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of public act 03-241, five thousand  
532 dollars; (2) primary for nomination, thirty-five thousand dollars; and  
533 (3) general election, sixty thousand dollars.

534 (c) The qualified candidate committee of a petitioning party  
535 candidate for the office of state senator shall be eligible to receive a  
536 grant for each portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1)  
537 Petitioning for ballot access, forty thousand dollars; and (2) general  
538 election, sixty thousand dollars.

539 (d) Not later than January 15, 2011, and annually thereafter, the  
540 commission shall compute an increase in the monetary amount that is  
541 required to be included in the calculations under subsection (a) to (c),  
542 inclusive, of this section. The percentage of such increase shall equal  
543 the percentage increase in the average of the bulk mail rates of the  
544 United States Postal Service during the preceding calendar year.

545 Sec. 13. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
546 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) The qualified candidate committee of a major  
547 party or minor party candidate for the office of state representative,  
548 who does not have a primary for nomination to such office, shall be  
549 eligible to receive a grant for each portion of the campaign for such  
550 office as follows: (1) Selection and support of delegates to a convention  
551 or circulation of petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of  
552 public act 03-241, two thousand five hundred dollars; and (2) general  
553 election, twenty thousand dollars.

554 (b) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or minor  
555 party candidate for the office of state senator, who has a primary for  
556 nomination to such office, shall be eligible to receive a grant for each  
557 portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1) Selection and  
558 support of delegates to a convention or circulation of petitions  
559 pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of public act 03-241, two thousand  
560 five hundred dollars; (2) primary for nomination, seven thousand five  
561 dollars; and (3) general election, fifteen thousand dollars.

562 (c) The qualified candidate committee of a petitioning party  
563 candidate for the office of state senator shall be eligible to receive a  
564 grant for each portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1)  
565 Petitioning for ballot access, ten thousand dollars; and (2) general  
566 election, twenty thousand dollars.

567 (d) Not later than January 15, 2011, and annually thereafter, the  
568 commission shall compute an increase in the monetary amount that is  
569 required to be included in the calculations under subsection (a) to (c),  
570 inclusive, of this section. The percentage of such increase shall equal  
571 the percentage increase in the average of the bulk mail rates of the  
572 United States Postal Service during the preceding calendar year.

573 Sec. 14. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
574 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) A candidate whose candidate committee has  
575 not received moneys from the Citizens' Election Fund may apply to the  
576 State Elections Enforcement Commission for moneys from the fund for  
577 one of the following campaigns, during the applicable period: (1) A  
578 campaign for the selection and support of delegates to a convention or  
579 for the circulation of petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive, of  
580 public act 03-241, after January first in the year in which the election is  
581 being held for the office that the candidate is seeking; (2) a petitioning  
582 campaign for ballot access, after January first in the year in which the  
583 election is being held for the office that the candidate is seeking; (3) a  
584 primary campaign, after the close of the state convention of the  
585 candidate's party that is called for the purpose of choosing candidates

586 for nomination for the office that the candidate is seeking, if said party  
587 endorses the candidate for the office that the candidate is seeking, the  
588 candidate receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the  
589 convention delegates present and voting on any roll-call vote taken on  
590 the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for the office  
591 the candidate is seeking, or the candidate circulates a petition and  
592 obtains the required number of signatures pursuant to section 9-400 of  
593 the general statutes, as amended, for such office; or (4) a general  
594 election campaign, (A) after the close of the state convention of the  
595 candidate's party that is called for the purpose of choosing candidates  
596 for nomination for the office that the candidate is seeking, if (i) said  
597 party endorses said candidate for the office that the candidate is  
598 seeking and no other candidate of said party files a certificate of  
599 candidacy with the Secretary of the State in accordance with the  
600 provisions of section 9-400 of the general statutes, (ii) the candidate  
601 receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the convention delegates  
602 present and voting on any roll-call vote taken on the endorsement or  
603 proposed endorsement of a candidate for the office the candidate is  
604 seeking and no other candidate for such office at such convention  
605 either receives the party endorsement or said percentage of said votes  
606 for said endorsement or files a certificate of endorsement with the  
607 Secretary of the State in accordance with the provisions of section 9-388  
608 of the general statutes or a certificate of candidacy with the Secretary  
609 of the State in accordance with the provisions of section 9-400 of the  
610 general statutes, or (iii) the candidate circulates a petition and obtains  
611 the required number of signatures pursuant to section 9-400 of the  
612 general statutes, as amended, for such office and no other candidate  
613 for such office at such convention either receives the party  
614 endorsement or said percentage of said votes for said endorsement or  
615 files a certificate of endorsement with the Secretary of the State in  
616 accordance with the provisions of section 9-388 of the general statutes  
617 or a certificate of candidacy with the Secretary of the State in  
618 accordance with the provisions of section 9-400 of the general statutes,  
619 (B) after any primary held by such party for nomination for such office,

620 if the Secretary of the State declares that the candidate is the party  
621 nominee in accordance with the provisions of section 9-440 of the  
622 general statutes, or (C) in the case of a petitioning party candidate,  
623 after approval by the Secretary of the State of such candidate's  
624 nominating petition pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-453o of the  
625 general statutes.

626 (b) The application shall include a written certification that:

627 (1) The candidate committee has received the required amount of  
628 qualifying contributions;

629 (2) The candidate committee has repaid all moneys borrowed on  
630 behalf of the campaign, as required by subsection (b) of section 18 of  
631 this act;

632 (3) The candidate committee has returned the portion of any  
633 contribution or contributions from an individual that exceeds one  
634 hundred dollars;

635 (4) The candidate committee has returned all contributions which  
636 make the committee's aggregate amount of contributions received total  
637 more than the amount of qualifying contributions;

638 (5) The candidate committee has returned any contribution received  
639 from (A) a lobbyist or the spouse of a lobbyist, (B) an individual who  
640 has a contract with the state, said individual's spouse, or an individual  
641 whose associated business or spouse's associated business has a  
642 contract with the state, or (C) a political committee;

643 (6) The candidate committee has returned any contribution from an  
644 individual who (A) does not include the individual's name and  
645 address with the contribution, or (B) does not reside in the state, if said  
646 contribution is in excess of the applicable limit on contributions from  
647 nonresidents in subsection (a) of section 9 of this act;

648 (7) The candidate's exploratory committee, if any, has returned all

649 contributions that do not meet the criteria for qualifying contributions  
650 to a candidate committee as described in section 9 of this act;

651 (8) The candidate committee shall refuse to accept any additional  
652 contributions, except for contributions from party committees in  
653 accordance with the provisions of section 9-333s of the general statutes,  
654 as amended by this act;

655 (9) The campaign treasurer of the candidate committee shall comply  
656 with the provisions of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and  
657 38 and 39 of this act;

658 (10) All moneys received from the fund shall be deposited upon  
659 receipt into the depository account of the candidate committee;

660 (11) The campaign treasurer of the candidate committee shall  
661 expend all moneys received from the fund in accordance with the  
662 provisions of subsection (g) of section 9-333i of the general statutes;

663 (12) All individuals making qualifying contributions to the  
664 candidate committee of the candidate have made the certifications  
665 required in subsection (b) of section 9 of this act and the candidate has  
666 no knowledge that any such certification is false;

667 (13) The campaign treasurer of the candidate committee of the  
668 candidate has, and will continue to, file in electronic form all financial  
669 disclosure statements required by section 9-333j of the general statutes.  
670 The form of such electronic filing shall comply with the provisions of  
671 section 9-348ee of the general statutes;

672 (14) If the candidate withdraws from the campaign, becomes  
673 ineligible or dies during the campaign, the candidate committee of the  
674 candidate shall return to the commission, for deposit in the fund, all  
675 moneys received from the fund pursuant to sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6  
676 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act which said candidate  
677 committee has not spent as of the date of such occurrence; and

678 (15) In the case of a candidate for the office of Lieutenant Governor,  
679 that such candidate is not deemed to be aiding or promoting the  
680 success of the campaign for Lieutenant Governor and the success of a  
681 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor jointly as  
682 described in subsection (a) of section 17 of this act.

683 (c) The application shall be accompanied by a cumulative itemized  
684 accounting of all funds received, expenditures made and expenses  
685 incurred but not yet paid by the candidate committee as of three days  
686 before the date that the application is signed. Such accounting shall be  
687 sworn to under penalty of false statement by the campaign treasurer of  
688 the candidate committee. The commission shall prescribe the form of  
689 the application and the cumulative itemized accounting, after  
690 consulting with the Secretary of the State. The form for such  
691 accounting shall conform to the requirements of section 9-333j of the  
692 general statutes. Both the candidate and the campaign treasurer of the  
693 candidate committee shall sign the application. The application shall  
694 also be accompanied by a bond, with surety, in the amount which the  
695 applicant candidate is eligible to receive initially from the fund. The  
696 commission shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions  
697 of chapter 54 of the general statutes, implementing such requirement  
698 of a bond.

699 (d) Not later than five business days following receipt of any such  
700 application, the commission shall review the application, determine  
701 whether the candidate committee for the applicant (1) has received the  
702 required qualifying contributions, and (2) in the case of an application  
703 for moneys from the fund for a primary or general election campaign,  
704 the applicant has met the applicable condition under subsection (a) of  
705 this section for applying for such moneys and, if so, determine the  
706 amount of moneys payable to the candidate committee from the fund  
707 and notify the State Comptroller and the candidate of such candidate  
708 committee, of such amount. Not later than three business days  
709 following notification by the commission, the State Comptroller shall  
710 draw an order on the State Treasurer for payment of such amount to

711 the qualified candidate committee from the fund.

712       Sec. 15. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
713 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) Following the initial deposit of moneys from the  
714 fund into the depository account of a qualified candidate committee,  
715 no contribution, loan, amount of the candidate's own moneys or any  
716 other moneys received by the candidate or the campaign treasurer on  
717 behalf of the committee shall be deposited into said depository  
718 account, except (1) grants from the fund, (2) contributions from party  
719 committees in accordance with the provisions of section 9-333s of the  
720 general statutes, as amended by this act, and (3) any additional  
721 moneys from the fund as provided in sections 19 and 20 of this act.

722       (b) A qualified candidate committee for a candidate for nomination  
723 or election to a state office, which receives moneys from the fund, shall  
724 not make expenditures or incur expenses in excess of the applicable  
725 permitted expenditure amount.

726       Sec. 16. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
727 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) A qualified candidate committee that received  
728 moneys from the Citizens' Elections Fund for the selection and support  
729 of delegates to a convention and whose candidate is endorsed for  
730 nomination to the office that the candidate is seeking at the party's  
731 convention shall receive moneys from the fund for a primary  
732 campaign if one or more other candidates for such nomination (1)  
733 receive at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the convention delegates  
734 present and voting on any roll call vote taken on the endorsement or  
735 proposed endorsement of a candidate for said office or (2) circulate  
736 petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive, of public act 03-241 and  
737 obtain the required number of signatures for said office pursuant to  
738 section 9-400 of the general statutes, as amended. Upon the close of the  
739 convention and determining that such conditions have been met, the  
740 State Elections Enforcement Commission shall notify the State  
741 Comptroller of the amount due said candidate. Not later than three  
742 business days following notification by the commission, the State



743 Comptroller shall draw an order on the State Treasurer for payment of  
744 a primary campaign grant to the qualified candidate committee from  
745 the fund. If no primary is held for such nomination, any unspent  
746 moneys from such primary campaign grant shall be returned to the  
747 commission and deposited in the fund or used by the candidate  
748 committee to reduce the amount of the general election campaign  
749 grant.

750 (b) A qualified candidate committee that received moneys from the  
751 Citizens' Elections Fund for the selection and support of delegates to a  
752 convention and whose candidate receives at least fifteen per cent of the  
753 votes of the convention delegates present and voting on any roll call  
754 vote taken on the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a  
755 candidate for said office shall receive moneys from the fund for a  
756 primary campaign if (1) another candidate is endorsed for nomination  
757 to the office that the candidate is seeking at the party's convention, or  
758 (2) one or more other candidates for such nomination (A) receive at  
759 least fifteen per cent of the votes of the convention delegates present  
760 and voting on any roll call vote taken on the endorsement or proposed  
761 endorsement of a candidate for said office, or (B) circulate petitions  
762 pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive, of public act 03-241 and obtain  
763 the required number of signatures for said office pursuant to section 9-  
764 400 of the general statutes, as amended. Upon the close of the  
765 convention and determining that such conditions have been met, the  
766 State Elections Enforcement Commission shall notify the State  
767 Comptroller of the amount due said candidate. Not later than three  
768 business days following notification by the commission, the State  
769 Comptroller shall draw an order on the State Treasurer for payment of  
770 a primary campaign grant to the qualified candidate committee from  
771 the fund. If no primary is held for such nomination, any unspent  
772 moneys from such primary campaign grant shall be returned to the  
773 commission and deposited in the fund or used by the candidate  
774 committee to reduce the amount of the general election campaign  
775 grant.

776 (c) A qualified candidate committee that received moneys from the  
777 Citizens' Elections Fund for the circulation of petitions pursuant to  
778 section 1 to 3, inclusive, of public act 03-241 and whose candidate  
779 obtains the required number of signatures for said office pursuant to  
780 section 9-400 of the general statutes, as amended, shall receive moneys  
781 from the fund for a primary campaign if (1) another candidate is  
782 endorsed for nomination to the office that the candidate is seeking at  
783 the party's convention, or (2) one or more other candidates for such  
784 nomination (A) receive at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the  
785 convention delegates present and voting on any roll call vote taken on  
786 the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for said  
787 office, or (B) circulate petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive, of  
788 public act 03-241 and obtain the required number of signatures  
789 pursuant to section 9-400 of the general statutes, as amended. Upon the  
790 close of the convention and determining that such conditions have  
791 been met, the State Elections Enforcement Commission shall notify the  
792 State Comptroller of the amount due said candidate. Not later than  
793 three business days following notification by the commission, the State  
794 Comptroller shall draw an order on the State Treasurer for payment of  
795 a primary campaign grant to the qualified candidate committee from  
796 the fund. If no primary is held for such nomination, any unspent  
797 moneys from such primary campaign grant shall be returned to the  
798 commission and deposited in the fund or used by the candidate  
799 committee to reduce the amount of the general election campaign  
800 grant.

801 (d) If a scheduled primary is cancelled pursuant to section 9-429 of  
802 the general statutes, a qualified candidate committee which received  
803 moneys from the fund for a primary and whose candidate is deemed  
804 to have been lawfully nominated pursuant to said section 9-429 shall  
805 receive moneys from the fund for a general election campaign. Upon  
806 receiving verification from the Secretary of the State that a scheduled  
807 primary has not been held and that the candidate of a qualified  
808 candidate committee has been deemed to have been lawfully  
809 nominated in accordance with the provisions of said section 9-429, the

810 commission shall notify the State Comptroller of the amount payable  
811 to said qualified candidate committee and the State Comptroller shall  
812 draw an order on the State Treasurer for payment of the general  
813 election campaign grant to said committee from the fund, provided the  
814 amount of such general election grant shall be reduced by the amount  
815 of the primary campaign grant which said candidate committee has  
816 not spent as of the date of cancellation of the primary.

817 (e) A qualified candidate committee that received moneys from the  
818 Citizens' Elections Fund for the selection and support of delegates to a  
819 convention shall receive moneys from the fund for a general election  
820 campaign if the candidate who established such committee (1) is  
821 endorsed for nomination to the office that the candidate is seeking at  
822 the party's state convention and no other candidate (A) receives at least  
823 fifteen per cent of the votes of the convention delegates present and  
824 voting on any roll call vote taken on the endorsement or proposed  
825 endorsement of a candidate for said office, or (B) circulates petitions  
826 pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive, of public act 03-241 and obtains  
827 the required number of signatures for said office pursuant to section 9-  
828 400 of the general statutes, as amended, (2) receives at least fifteen per  
829 cent of the votes of the convention delegates present and voting on any  
830 roll call vote taken on the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a  
831 candidate for said office and no other candidate is (A) endorsed for  
832 nomination to the office that the candidate is seeking at the party's  
833 state convention, (B) receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the  
834 convention delegates present and voting on any roll call vote taken on  
835 the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for said  
836 office, or (C) circulates petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive,  
837 of public act 03-241 and obtains the required number of signatures for  
838 said office pursuant to section 9-400 of the general statutes, as  
839 amended, or (3) circulates petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3,  
840 inclusive, of public act 03-241 and obtains the required number of  
841 signatures for said office pursuant to section 9-400 of the general  
842 statutes, as amended, and no other candidate is (A) endorsed for  
843 nomination to the office that the candidate is seeking at the party's

844 convention, (B) receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the  
845 convention delegates present and voting on any roll call vote taken on  
846 the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for said  
847 office, or (C) circulates petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive,  
848 of public act 03-241 and obtains the required number of signatures for  
849 said office pursuant to section 9-400 of the general statutes, as  
850 amended. Upon the close of the convention and determining that such  
851 conditions have been met, the State Elections Enforcement  
852 Commission shall notify the State Comptroller of the amount due said  
853 candidate. Not later than three business days following notification by  
854 the commission, the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State  
855 Treasurer for payment of a general election campaign grant to the  
856 qualified candidate committee from the fund.

857 (f) A qualified candidate committee that received moneys from the  
858 fund for a primary campaign and whose candidate is the party  
859 nominee shall receive moneys from the fund for a general election  
860 campaign. Upon receiving verification from the Secretary of the State  
861 of the declaration by the Secretary of the State in accordance with the  
862 provisions of section 9-440 of the general statutes, of the results of the  
863 votes cast at the primary, the commission shall notify the State  
864 Comptroller of the amount payable to such qualified candidate  
865 committee. Not later than three business days following notification by  
866 the commission, the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State  
867 Treasurer for payment of the general election campaign grant to said  
868 committee from said fund.

869 (g) A qualified candidate committee that received moneys from the  
870 fund for a petition campaign for ballot access and whose candidate's  
871 nominating petition has been approved by the Secretary of the State  
872 pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-453o of the general statutes, as  
873 amended, shall receive moneys from the fund for a general election  
874 campaign. Upon receiving notification from the Secretary of the State  
875 of such approval, the commission shall notify the State Comptroller of  
876 the amount payable to such qualified candidate committee. Not later

877 than three business days following notification by the commission, the  
878 State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State Treasurer for  
879 payment of the general election campaign grant to said committee  
880 from said fund.

881 (h) Not later than twenty-four hours after any event under this  
882 section that entitles a candidate to receive moneys from the fund for a  
883 primary campaign or a general election campaign, the Secretary of the  
884 State shall notify the commission of such event.

885 Sec. 17. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
886 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) For purposes of this section, expenditures made  
887 for purposes of the permitted expenditure amount to aid or promote  
888 the success of both a candidate for nomination or election to the office  
889 of Governor and a candidate for nomination or election to the office of  
890 Lieutenant Governor jointly, shall be considered expenditures made to  
891 aid or promote the success of a candidate for nomination or election to  
892 the office of Governor. The party-endorsed candidate for nomination  
893 or election to the office of Lieutenant Governor and the party-endorsed  
894 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor shall be  
895 deemed to be aiding or promoting the success of both candidates  
896 jointly upon the earliest of the following: (1) The primary, whether  
897 held for the office of Governor, the office of Lieutenant Governor, or  
898 both; (2) if no primary is held for the office of Governor or Lieutenant  
899 Governor, the convention; or (3) a declaration by the party-endorsed  
900 candidates that they shall campaign jointly. Any other candidate for  
901 nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant Governor shall be  
902 deemed to be aiding or promoting the success of such candidacy for  
903 the office of Lieutenant Governor and the success of a candidate for  
904 nomination or election to the office of Governor jointly upon a  
905 declaration by the candidates that they shall campaign jointly.

906 (b) The candidate committee formed to aid or promote the success  
907 of a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant  
908 Governor, the candidate of which campaigns jointly with a candidate

909 for nomination or election to the office of Governor, shall be dissolved  
 910 as of the applicable date set forth in subsection (a) of this section. Not  
 911 later than fifteen days after the applicable date set forth in subsection  
 912 (a) of this section, the campaign treasurer of the candidate committee  
 913 formed to aid or promote the success of said candidate for nomination  
 914 or election to the office of Lieutenant Governor shall file a statement  
 915 with the proper authority under section 9-333e of the general statutes,  
 916 as amended by this act, identifying all contributions received or  
 917 expenditures made by the committee since the previous statement and  
 918 the balance on hand or deficit, as the case may be. Not later than thirty  
 919 days after the applicable date set forth in subsection (a) of this section,  
 920 (1) the campaign treasurer of a qualified candidate committee formed  
 921 to aid or promote the success of said candidate for nomination or  
 922 election to the office of Lieutenant Governor shall distribute any  
 923 surplus to the fund, and (2) the campaign treasurer of a nonqualified  
 924 candidate committee formed to aid or promote the success of said  
 925 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant  
 926 Governor shall return such surplus to all contributors on a prorated  
 927 basis of contribution or distribute such surplus to any charitable  
 928 organization which is a tax-exempt organization under Section  
 929 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent  
 930 corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time  
 931 to time amended.

932 Sec. 18. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
 933 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) A qualified candidate committee may borrow  
 934 moneys on behalf of a campaign for the selection and support of  
 935 delegates to a convention, a primary or a general election from one or  
 936 more financial institutions, as defined in section 36a-41 of the general  
 937 statutes, in an aggregate amount not to exceed one thousand dollars.  
 938 The amount borrowed shall not constitute a qualifying contribution.  
 939 No individual, political committee or party committee, except the  
 940 candidate or, in a general election, the state central committee of a  
 941 political party, shall endorse or guarantee such a loan in an aggregate  
 942 amount in excess of two hundred fifty dollars. An endorsement or

943 guarantee of such a loan shall constitute a contribution by such  
944 individual or committee for so long as the loan is outstanding. The  
945 amount endorsed or guaranteed by such individual or committee shall  
946 cease to constitute a contribution upon repayment of the amount  
947 endorsed or guaranteed.

948 (b) All such loans shall be repaid in full prior to the date a candidate  
949 committee applies for the moneys from the fund pursuant to section 14  
950 of this act. The candidate shall certify to the commission that such  
951 loans were repaid. A candidate who fails to repay such loans or fails to  
952 certify such repayment to the commission shall not be eligible to  
953 receive and shall not receive moneys from the fund.

954 Sec. 19. (NEW) *(Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
955 *2010, and thereafter)* (a) (1) A qualified candidate committee that  
956 receives moneys from the fund pursuant to section 14 of this act and  
957 makes expenditures in excess of the permitted expenditure amount (A)  
958 shall repay to the fund the amount of expenditures in excess of the  
959 applicable permitted expenditure amount, and (B) shall not receive  
960 any additional moneys from the fund for the remainder of the election  
961 cycle.

962 (2) In addition, a candidate of a qualified candidate committee that  
963 receives moneys from the fund pursuant to section 14 of this act and  
964 makes expenditures that, with the intent of said candidate, exceed the  
965 applicable permitted expenditure amount by more than one per cent  
966 shall (A) be liable to the fund for the amount of such excess  
967 expenditures, and (B) be guilty of a class D felony.

968 (b) Additional moneys from the fund shall be paid to a qualified  
969 candidate committee that received moneys from the fund if the  
970 committee of an opposing candidate makes expenditures in excess of  
971 the applicable permitted expenditure amount. Such additional moneys  
972 from the fund shall be paid to a qualified candidate committee that  
973 received moneys from the fund (1) regardless of whether the candidate  
974 committee which makes expenditures in excess of the applicable

975 permitted expenditure amount has received moneys from the fund, (2)  
976 in an amount equal to the greatest amount of expenditures in excess of  
977 the applicable permitted expenditure amount which the committee of  
978 an opposing candidate has made expenditures, but not more than one  
979 hundred per cent of the amount of moneys which the qualified  
980 candidate committee has received from the fund, and (3) immediately  
981 following the commission's verification that the committee of an  
982 opposing candidate has made expenditures in excess of the applicable  
983 permitted expenditure amount. In the case of the candidate committee  
984 of a nonparticipating candidate making such excess expenditures,  
985 additional moneys shall not be paid to a qualified candidate committee  
986 under this subsection until the general election campaign. No qualified  
987 candidate committee which expends moneys in excess of the permitted  
988 expenditure amount shall receive additional moneys from the fund  
989 pursuant to this subsection.

990 (c) If a nonparticipating candidate makes or incurs the obligation to  
991 make an excess expenditure more than twenty days before the day of a  
992 convention, primary or election, the candidate shall file a declaration of  
993 excess expenditures not later than forty-eight hours after making or  
994 incurring the expenditure. If a nonparticipating candidate makes or  
995 incurs the obligation to make an excess expenditure twenty days or  
996 less before the day of a convention, primary or election, the candidate  
997 shall file a declaration of excess expenditures not later than twenty-  
998 four hours after making or incurring the expenditure. The commission  
999 may determine whether any expenditure by a nonparticipating  
1000 candidate shall be deemed an excess expenditure.

1001 Sec. 20. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
1002 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) Any person who makes or obligates to make an  
1003 independent expenditure, as defined in section 9-333a of the general  
1004 statutes, as amended, intended to promote the success or defeat of a  
1005 candidate for nomination or election to a state office, which exceeds  
1006 five hundred dollars, in the aggregate, during the period for the  
1007 selection and support of delegates to a convention, a primary



1008 campaign period or an election campaign period, shall file a report of  
1009 such independent expenditure to the State Elections Enforcement  
1010 Commission. If the person makes or obligates to make such  
1011 independent expenditure more than twenty days before the day of a  
1012 convention, primary or election, the person shall file such report not  
1013 later than forty-eight hours after such payment or obligation. If the  
1014 person makes or obligates to make such independent expenditure  
1015 twenty days or less before the day of a convention, primary or election,  
1016 the person shall file such report not later than twenty-four hours after  
1017 such payment or obligation. The report shall be filed under penalty of  
1018 false statement.

1019 (b) The independent expenditure report shall include a statement (1)  
1020 identifying the candidate for whom the independent expenditure is  
1021 intended to promote the success or defeat, (2) affirming that the  
1022 expenditure is totally independent and involves no cooperation or  
1023 coordination with or direction from a candidate or a political party,  
1024 and (3) affirming that the individual making the expenditure has not  
1025 served or does not serve as treasurer, deputy treasurer or chairperson  
1026 of the candidate committee during the same election cycle.

1027 (c) Any person may file a complaint with the commission upon the  
1028 belief that (1) any such independent expenditure report or statement is  
1029 false, or (2) any person who is required to file an independent  
1030 expenditure report under subsection (a) of this section has failed to do  
1031 so. The commission shall make a prompt determination on such a  
1032 complaint.

1033 (d) Upon the receipt of a report that such an independent  
1034 expenditure has been made or obligated to be made, the commission  
1035 shall immediately notify the State Comptroller that additional money,  
1036 equal to the amount of the independent expenditure, shall be paid to  
1037 the qualifying candidate committees of each participating candidate  
1038 whom the independent expenditure is intended to oppose or defeat.  
1039 Not later than three business days following notification by the

1040 commission, the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State  
1041 Treasurer for payment of such amount to each such qualified  
1042 candidate committee from the fund. The provisions of this subsection  
1043 shall be subject to the following:

1044 (1) The maximum aggregate amount of funding that the qualified  
1045 candidate committee of a participating candidate shall receive to  
1046 match the independent expenditures made or obligated to be made on  
1047 behalf of an opposing participating candidate shall not be greater than  
1048 one hundred per cent of the total moneys that said candidate  
1049 committee has received from the fund.

1050 (2) The maximum aggregate amount of funding that the qualified  
1051 candidate committee of a participating candidate shall receive to  
1052 match the independent expenditures and the excess expenditures of a  
1053 nonparticipating candidate shall not be greater than two hundred per  
1054 cent of the total moneys that said candidate committee has received  
1055 from the fund.

1056 (3) Such additional funding shall be granted to the qualified  
1057 candidate committee of a participating candidate opposed by a  
1058 nonparticipating candidate only if the nonparticipating candidate's  
1059 campaign expenditures, combined with the amount of the  
1060 independent expenditures, exceed the applicable permitted  
1061 expenditure amount for the participating candidate, during the general  
1062 election campaign.

1063 Sec. 21. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
1064 *2010, and thereafter*) On the second Tuesday in July in any year in which  
1065 a state office election is held, and on each subsequent Tuesday until  
1066 and including the fourth Tuesday in October in such year, the  
1067 campaign treasurer of each candidate committee organized to aid or  
1068 promote the success of a candidate for nomination or election to a state  
1069 office at such election shall file with the Secretary of the State and the  
1070 commission a statement, sworn under penalty of false statement, of  
1071 itemized receipts and expenditures for the preceding seven calendar

1072 days. If a campaign treasurer fails to file any statement required by this  
1073 section (1) within the time required, or (2) with both the Secretary of  
1074 the State and the commission, such campaign treasurer shall be subject  
1075 to a civil penalty imposed by the commission, of not more than one  
1076 thousand dollars for each such failure under subdivision (1) or (2) of  
1077 this section.

1078       Sec. 22. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
1079 *2010, and thereafter*) The Secretary of the State shall provide in  
1080 electronic format, free of charge, to each committee that receives  
1081 moneys from the Citizens' Elections Fund pursuant to section 14 of this  
1082 act, a copy of the voter registration list for the state or district,  
1083 whichever is applicable, which is generated from the state-wide  
1084 centralized voter registration system established pursuant to the plan  
1085 authorized under section 1 of special act 91-45 and completed pursuant  
1086 to public act 03-117.

1087       Sec. 23. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
1088 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) Not later than March first in the year before any  
1089 year in which a state office election is to be held, the commission shall  
1090 determine whether the amount of moneys in the fund is sufficient to  
1091 carry out the purposes of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive,  
1092 and 38 and 39 of this act, based on the information available to the  
1093 commission at such time. If the commission determines at such time  
1094 that the amount of moneys in the fund is not sufficient to carry out  
1095 such purposes, the commission shall immediately issue a report. The  
1096 General Assembly may authorize alternative sources of funding  
1097 sufficient to carry out the purposes of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,  
1098 inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act.

1099       (b) Not later than January first in any year in which a state office  
1100 election is to be held, the commission shall determine whether the  
1101 amount of moneys in the fund is sufficient to carry out the purposes of  
1102 sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act. If  
1103 the commission determines that such amount is not sufficient to carry

1104 out such purposes, the commission shall, not later than three days after  
1105 such later determination, (1) determine the percentage of the fund's  
1106 obligations that can be met for such election, (2) recalculate the amount  
1107 of each payment that a qualified candidate committee is entitled to  
1108 receive under sections 10, 11, 12 or 13 of this act by multiplying such  
1109 percentage by the amount that the committee would have been  
1110 entitled to receive under said section if there were a sufficient amount  
1111 of moneys in the fund, and (3) notify each applicant for moneys from  
1112 the fund of such insufficiency, percentage and applicable recalculation.  
1113 After a qualified candidate committee first receives any such  
1114 recalculated payment, the committee may resume accepting  
1115 contributions and making expenditures from such contributions,  
1116 provided no qualified candidate committee which receives such  
1117 recalculated payments from the fund shall accept contributions in  
1118 excess of the amount of moneys which the committee was entitled to  
1119 receive from the fund but did not receive from the fund. The  
1120 commission shall also issue a report on said determination. The  
1121 General Assembly may authorize alternative sources of funding  
1122 sufficient to carry out the purposes of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,  
1123 inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act. If the commission issues such  
1124 determination at a time when the General Assembly is not in session,  
1125 the commission shall notify the president pro tempore of the Senate  
1126 and the speaker of the House of Representatives who may call a  
1127 special session of the General Assembly, in accordance with section 2-7  
1128 of the general statutes, to consider authorizing such alternative sources  
1129 of funding.

1130 (c) The commission shall establish a reserve account in the fund. The  
1131 first twenty-five thousand dollars deposited in the fund during any  
1132 year shall be placed in said account. The commission shall use moneys  
1133 in the reserve account only during the seven days preceding an  
1134 election for payments to candidates (1) whose payments were reduced  
1135 under subsection (b) of this section, or (2) who are entitled to funding  
1136 to match independent expenditures pursuant to section 20 of this act  
1137 during said seven-day period.

1138       Sec. 24. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
1139       *2010, and thereafter*) A candidate of a candidate committee which  
1140       receives moneys from the Citizens' Elections Fund may expend  
1141       personal moneys in an aggregate amount not exceeding one thousand  
1142       dollars to aid or promote the success of such candidate's campaign for  
1143       nomination or election to a state office. Any such expenditure shall be  
1144       made and reported in accordance with the provisions of sections 9-333i  
1145       and 9-333j of the general statutes and shall be considered a qualifying  
1146       contribution for the purposes of section 9 of this act.

1147       Sec. 25. Section 9-333a of the general statutes, as amended by section  
1148       10 of public act 03-241, is repealed and the following is substituted in  
1149       lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2007, and applicable to elections held in*  
1150       *2010, and thereafter*):

1151       As used in this chapter and sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,  
1152       inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act:

1153       (1) "Committee" means a party committee, political committee or a  
1154       candidate committee organized, as the case may be, for a single  
1155       primary, election or referendum, or for ongoing political activities, to  
1156       aid or promote the success or defeat of any political party, any one or  
1157       more candidates for public office or the position of town committee  
1158       member or any referendum question.

1159       (2) "Party committee" means a state central committee or a town  
1160       committee. "Party committee" does not mean a party-affiliated or  
1161       district, ward or borough committee which receives all of its funds  
1162       from the state central committee of its party or from a single town  
1163       committee with the same party affiliation. Any such committee so  
1164       funded shall be construed to be a part of its state central or town  
1165       committee for purposes of this chapter and sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6  
1166       to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act.

1167       (3) "Political committee" means (A) a committee organized by a  
1168       business entity or organization, (B) persons other than individuals, or

1169 two or more individuals organized or acting jointly conducting their  
1170 activities in or outside the state, (C) a committee established by a  
1171 candidate to determine the particular public office to which [he] such  
1172 candidate shall seek nomination or election, and referred to in this  
1173 chapter as an exploratory committee, or (D) a committee established by  
1174 or on behalf of a slate of candidates in a primary for the office of justice  
1175 of the peace, but does not mean a candidate committee or a party  
1176 committee.

1177 (4) "Candidate committee" means any committee designated by a  
1178 single candidate, or established with the consent, authorization or  
1179 cooperation of a candidate, for the purpose of a single primary or  
1180 election and to aid or promote [his] such candidate's candidacy alone  
1181 for a particular public office or the position of town committee  
1182 member, but does not mean a political committee or a party  
1183 committee.

1184 (5) "National committee" means the organization which according to  
1185 the bylaws of a political party is responsible for the day-to-day  
1186 operation of the party at the national level.

1187 (6) "Organization" means all labor organizations, (A) as defined in  
1188 the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959, as from  
1189 time to time amended, or (B) as defined in subdivision (9) of section  
1190 31-101, employee organizations as defined in subsection (d) of section  
1191 5-270 and subdivision (6) of section 7-467, bargaining representative  
1192 organizations for teachers, any local, state or national organization, to  
1193 which a labor organization pays membership or per capita fees, based  
1194 upon its affiliation or membership, and trade or professional  
1195 associations which receive their funds exclusively from membership  
1196 dues, whether organized in or outside of this state, but does not mean  
1197 a candidate committee, party committee or a political committee.

1198 (7) "Business entity" means the following, whether organized in or  
1199 outside of this state: Stock corporations, banks, insurance companies,  
1200 business associations, bankers associations, insurance associations,

1201 trade or professional associations which receive funds from  
1202 membership dues and other sources, partnerships, joint ventures,  
1203 private foundations, as defined in Section 509 of the Internal Revenue  
1204 Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code  
1205 of the United States, as from time to time amended; trusts or estates;  
1206 corporations organized under sections 38a-175 to 38a-192, inclusive,  
1207 38a-199 to 38a-209, inclusive, and 38a-214 to 38a-225, inclusive, and  
1208 chapters 594 to 597, inclusive; cooperatives, and any other association,  
1209 organization or entity which is engaged in the operation of a business  
1210 or profit-making activity; but does not include professional service  
1211 corporations organized under chapter 594a and owned by a single  
1212 individual, nonstock corporations which are not engaged in business  
1213 or profit-making activity, organizations, as defined in subdivision (6)  
1214 of this section, candidate committees, party committees and political  
1215 committees as defined in this section. For purposes of this chapter,  
1216 corporations which are component members of a controlled group of  
1217 corporations, as those terms are defined in Section 1563 of the Internal  
1218 Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal  
1219 revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, shall  
1220 be deemed to be one corporation.

1221 (8) "Individual" means a human being, a sole proprietorship, or a  
1222 professional service corporation organized under chapter 594a and  
1223 owned by a single human being.

1224 (9) "Person" means an individual, committee, firm, partnership,  
1225 organization, association, syndicate, company trust, corporation,  
1226 limited liability company or any other legal entity of any kind but does  
1227 not mean the state or any political or administrative subdivision of the  
1228 state.

1229 (10) "Candidate" means an individual who seeks nomination for  
1230 election or election to public office whether or not such individual is  
1231 elected, and for the purposes of this chapter and sections 1 to 4,  
1232 inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act an individual

1233 shall be deemed to seek nomination for election or election if [he] such  
1234 individual has (A) been endorsed by a party or become eligible for a  
1235 position on the ballot at an election or primary, or (B) solicited or  
1236 received contributions, made expenditures or given [his] such  
1237 individual's consent to any other person to solicit or receive  
1238 contributions or make expenditures with the intent to bring about [his]  
1239 such individual's nomination for election or election to any such office.  
1240 "Candidate" also means a slate of candidates which is to appear on the  
1241 ballot in a primary for the office of justice of the peace. For the  
1242 purposes of sections 9-333 to 9-333l, inclusive, as amended by this act,  
1243 and section 9-333w, "candidate" also means an individual who is a  
1244 candidate in a primary for town committee members.

1245 (11) "Campaign treasurer" means the individual appointed by a  
1246 candidate or by the [chairman] chairperson of a party committee or a  
1247 political committee to receive and disburse funds on behalf of the  
1248 candidate or committee.

1249 (12) "Deputy campaign treasurer" means the individual appointed  
1250 by the candidate or by the [chairman] chairperson of a committee to  
1251 serve in the capacity of the campaign treasurer if the campaign  
1252 treasurer is unable to perform [his] the campaign treasurer's duties.

1253 (13) "Solicitor" means an individual appointed by a campaign  
1254 treasurer of a committee to receive, but not to disburse, funds on  
1255 behalf of the committee.

1256 (14) "Referendum question" means a question to be voted upon at  
1257 any election or referendum, including a proposed constitutional  
1258 amendment.

1259 (15) "Lobbyist" means a lobbyist as defined in subsection (l) of  
1260 section 1-91.

1261 (16) "Business with which he is associated" means any business in  
1262 which the contributor is a director, officer, owner, limited or general



1263 partner or holder of stock constituting five per cent or more of the total  
1264 outstanding stock of any class. Officer refers only to the president,  
1265 executive or senior vice-president or treasurer of such business.

1266 (17) "Independent expenditure" means an expenditure that is made  
1267 without the consent, knowing participation, or consultation of, a  
1268 candidate or agent of the candidate committee. "Independent  
1269 expenditure" does not include an expenditure (A) if there is any  
1270 coordination or direction with respect to the expenditure between the  
1271 candidate or the treasurer, deputy treasurer or [chairman] chairperson  
1272 of [his] such candidate committee and the person making the  
1273 expenditure, or (B) if, during the same election cycle, the individual  
1274 making the expenditure serves or has served as the treasurer, deputy  
1275 treasurer or [chairman] chairperson of the candidate committee.

1276 (18) "Federal account" means a depository account that is subject to  
1277 the disclosure and contribution limits provided under the Federal  
1278 Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended from time to time.

1279 (19) "Public funds" means funds belonging to, or under the control  
1280 of, the state or a political subdivision of the state.

1281 Sec. 26. Section 9-333b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1282 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2007, and*  
1283 *applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1284 (a) As used in this chapter and sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,  
1285 inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, "contribution" means:

1286 (1) Any gift, subscription, loan, advance, payment or deposit of  
1287 money or anything of value, made for the purpose of influencing the  
1288 nomination for election, or election, of any person or for the purpose of  
1289 aiding or promoting the success or defeat of any referendum question  
1290 or on behalf of any political party;

1291 (2) A written contract, promise or agreement to make a contribution  
1292 for any such purpose;

1293 (3) The payment by any person, other than a candidate or campaign  
1294 treasurer, of compensation for the personal services of any other  
1295 person which are rendered without charge to a committee or candidate  
1296 for any such purpose;

1297 (4) An expenditure when made by a person with the cooperation of,  
1298 or in consultation with, any candidate, candidate committee or  
1299 candidate's agent or which is made in concert with, or at the request or  
1300 suggestion of, any candidate, candidate committee or candidate's  
1301 agent; or

1302 (5) Funds received by a committee which are transferred from  
1303 another committee or other source for any such purpose.

1304 (b) As used in this chapter and sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,  
1305 inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, "contribution" does not mean:

1306 (1) A loan of money made in the ordinary course of business by a  
1307 national or state bank;

1308 (2) Any communication made by a corporation, organization or  
1309 association to its members, owners, stockholders, executive or  
1310 administrative personnel, or their families;

1311 (3) Nonpartisan voter registration and get-out-the-vote campaigns  
1312 by any corporation, organization or association aimed at its members,  
1313 owners, stockholders, executive or administrative personnel, or their  
1314 families;

1315 (4) Uncompensated services provided by individuals volunteering  
1316 their time;

1317 (5) The use of real or personal property, and the cost of invitations,  
1318 food or beverages, voluntarily provided by an individual to a  
1319 candidate or on behalf of a state central or town committee, in  
1320 rendering voluntary personal services for candidate or party-related  
1321 activities at the individual's residence, to the extent that the cumulative

1322 value of the invitations, food or beverages provided by the individual  
1323 on behalf of any single candidate does not exceed two hundred dollars  
1324 with respect to any single election, and on behalf of all state central  
1325 and town committees does not exceed four hundred dollars in any  
1326 calendar year;

1327 (6) The sale of food or beverage for use in a candidate's campaign or  
1328 for use by a state central or town committee at a discount, if the charge  
1329 is not less than the cost to the vendor, to the extent that the cumulative  
1330 value of the discount given to or on behalf of any single candidate does  
1331 not exceed two hundred dollars with respect to any single election,  
1332 and on behalf of all state central and town committees does not exceed  
1333 four hundred dollars in a calendar year;

1334 (7) Any unreimbursed payment for travel expenses made by an  
1335 individual who on the individual's own behalf volunteers the  
1336 individual's personal services to any single candidate to the extent the  
1337 cumulative value does not exceed two hundred dollars with respect to  
1338 any single election, and on behalf of all state central or town  
1339 committees does not exceed four hundred dollars in a calendar year;

1340 (8) The payment, by a party committee, political committee or an  
1341 individual, of the costs of preparation, display, mailing or other  
1342 distribution incurred by the committee or individual with respect to  
1343 any printed slate card, sample ballot or other printed list containing  
1344 the names of three or more candidates;

1345 (9) The donation of any item of personal property by an individual  
1346 to a committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction,  
1347 or the purchase by an individual of any such item at such an affair, to  
1348 the extent that the cumulative value donated or purchased does not  
1349 exceed fifty dollars;

1350 (10) The purchase of advertising space which clearly identifies the  
1351 purchaser, in a program for a fund-raising affair, provided the  
1352 cumulative purchase of such space does not exceed two hundred fifty

1353 dollars from any single candidate or the candidate's committee with  
1354 respect to any single election campaign or two hundred fifty dollars  
1355 from any single party committee or other political committee in any  
1356 calendar year if the purchaser is a business entity or fifty dollars for  
1357 purchases by any other person, except that the purchase of advertising  
1358 space described in this subdivision shall be deemed to be a  
1359 contribution for the purposes of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,  
1360 inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act;

1361 (11) The payment of money by a candidate to the candidate's  
1362 candidate committee;

1363 (12) The donation of goods or services by a business entity to a  
1364 committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction, to  
1365 the extent that the cumulative value donated does not exceed one  
1366 hundred dollars;

1367 (13) The advance of a security deposit by an individual to a  
1368 telephone company, as defined in section 16-1, for telecommunications  
1369 service for a committee, provided the security deposit is refunded to  
1370 the individual;

1371 (14) The provision of facilities, equipment, technical and managerial  
1372 support, and broadcast time by a community antenna television  
1373 company, as defined in section 16-1, for community access  
1374 programming pursuant to section 16-331a, unless (A) the major  
1375 purpose of providing such facilities, equipment, support and time is to  
1376 influence the nomination or election of a candidate, or (B) such  
1377 facilities, equipment, support and time are provided on behalf of a  
1378 political party; or

1379 (15) The sale of food or beverage by a town committee to an  
1380 individual at a town fair, county fair or similar mass gathering held  
1381 within the state, to the extent that the cumulative payment made by  
1382 any one individual for such items does not exceed fifty dollars.

1383       Sec. 27. Subsection (a) of section 9-333e of the general statutes, as  
1384 amended by section 11 of public act 03-241, is repealed and the  
1385 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2007, and*  
1386 *applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1387       (a) Statements filed by party committees, political committees  
1388 formed to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum  
1389 question proposing a constitutional convention, constitutional  
1390 amendment or revision of the Constitution, individual lobbyists, and  
1391 those political committees and candidate committees formed to aid or  
1392 promote the success or defeat of any candidate for the office of  
1393 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer,  
1394 Comptroller, Attorney General, judge of probate and members of the  
1395 General Assembly, shall be filed with the office of the Secretary of the  
1396 State. A copy of each statement filed by a candidate committee formed  
1397 to aid or promote the success of any candidate for the office of  
1398 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer,  
1399 State Comptroller, Attorney General, state senator or state  
1400 representative shall be filed at the same time with the commission. A  
1401 copy of each statement filed by a town committee shall be filed at the  
1402 same time with the town clerk of the municipality in which the  
1403 committee is situated. A political committee formed for a slate of  
1404 candidates in a primary for the office of justice of the peace shall file  
1405 statements with both the Secretary of the State and the town clerk of  
1406 the municipality in which the primary is to be held.

1407       Sec. 28. Subsection (a) of section 9-333m of the general statutes, as  
1408 amended by section 13 of public act 03-241, is repealed and the  
1409 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2007, and*  
1410 *applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1411       (a) No individual shall make a contribution or contributions to, for  
1412 the benefit of, or pursuant to the authorization or request of, a  
1413 candidate or a committee supporting or opposing any candidate's  
1414 campaign for nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign

1415 for election, to the office of (1) Governor, in excess of [two thousand  
 1416 five hundred] one thousand dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor,  
 1417 Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney  
 1418 General, in excess of [one thousand five hundred] seven hundred fifty  
 1419 dollars; (3) chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, in excess  
 1420 of one thousand dollars; (4) state senator or probate judge, in excess of  
 1421 five hundred dollars; or (5) state representative or any other office of a  
 1422 municipality not [previously] specifically included in this subsection,  
 1423 in excess of two hundred fifty dollars. [The] Except for contributions  
 1424 to, or for the benefit of, a candidate's campaign for the office of  
 1425 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer,  
 1426 State Comptroller, Attorney General, state senator or state  
 1427 representative, the limits imposed by this subsection shall be applied  
 1428 separately to primaries and elections.

1429 Sec. 29. Section 9-333n of the general statutes, as amended by section  
 1430 14 of public act 03-241, is repealed and the following is substituted in  
 1431 lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2007, and applicable to elections held in*  
 1432 *2010, and thereafter*):

1433 (a) No individual shall make a contribution or contributions in any  
 1434 one calendar year in excess of five thousand dollars to the state central  
 1435 committee of any party, or for the benefit of such committee pursuant  
 1436 to its authorization or request; or one thousand dollars to a town  
 1437 committee of any political party, or for the benefit of such committee  
 1438 pursuant to its authorization or request; or one thousand dollars to a  
 1439 political committee other than (1) a political committee formed solely  
 1440 to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum question, (2) an  
 1441 exploratory committee, (3) a political committee established by an  
 1442 organization, or for the benefit of such committee pursuant to its  
 1443 authorization or request, or (4) a political committee formed by a slate  
 1444 of candidates in a primary for the office of justice of the peace of the  
 1445 same town. No individual who makes a contribution to a party  
 1446 committee may direct such committee to contribute or expend any  
 1447 portion of such contribution to, or for the benefit of, any candidate's

1448 campaign for nomination or election to a state office, as defined in  
1449 section 1 of this act.

1450 (b) No individual shall make a contribution to a political committee  
1451 established by an organization which receives its funds from the  
1452 organization's treasury. With respect to a political committee  
1453 established by an organization which has complied with the provisions  
1454 of subsection (b) or (c) of section 9-333p, and has elected to receive  
1455 contributions, no individual other than a member of the organization  
1456 may make contributions to the committee, in which case the individual  
1457 may contribute not more than five hundred dollars in any one calendar  
1458 year to such committee or for the benefit of such committee pursuant  
1459 to its authorization or request.

1460 (c) In no event may any individual make contributions to a  
1461 candidate committee and a political committee formed solely to  
1462 support one candidate other than an exploratory committee or for the  
1463 benefit of a candidate committee and a political committee formed  
1464 solely to support one candidate pursuant to the authorization or  
1465 request of any such committee, in an amount which in the aggregate is  
1466 in excess of the maximum amount which may be contributed to the  
1467 candidate.

1468 (d) Any individual may make unlimited contributions or  
1469 expenditures to aid or promote the success or defeat of any  
1470 referendum question, provided any individual who makes an  
1471 expenditure or expenditures in excess of one thousand dollars to  
1472 promote the success or defeat of any referendum question shall file  
1473 statements according to the same schedule and in the same manner as  
1474 is required of a campaign treasurer of a political committee under  
1475 section 9-333j.

1476 (e) Any individual acting alone may, independent of any candidate,  
1477 agent of the candidate, or committee, make unlimited expenditures to  
1478 promote the success or defeat of any candidate's campaign for election,  
1479 or nomination at a primary, to any office or position. [, provided any]

1480 Except for an individual who is subject to the provisions of subsection  
1481 (a) of section 20 of this act, any individual who makes an independent  
1482 expenditure or expenditures in excess of one thousand dollars to  
1483 promote the success or defeat of any candidate's campaign for election,  
1484 or nomination at a primary, to any such office or position shall file  
1485 statements according to the same schedule and in the same manner as  
1486 [is] required of a campaign treasurer of a candidate committee under  
1487 section 9-333j.

1488 (f) (1) As used in this subsection and subsection (f) of section 9-333j,  
1489 (A) "investment services" means investment legal services, investment  
1490 banking services, investment advisory services, underwriting services,  
1491 financial advisory services or brokerage firm services, and (B)  
1492 "principal of an investment services firm" means (i) an individual who  
1493 is a director of or has an ownership interest in an investment services  
1494 firm to which the State Treasurer pays compensation, expenses or fees  
1495 or issues a contract, except for an individual who owns less than five  
1496 per cent of the shares of an investment services firm which is a  
1497 publicly traded corporation, (ii) an individual who is employed by  
1498 such an investment services firm as president, treasurer, or executive  
1499 or senior vice president, (iii) an employee of such an investment  
1500 services firm who has managerial or discretionary responsibilities with  
1501 respect to any investment services provided to the State Treasurer, (iv)  
1502 the spouse or a dependent child of an individual described in this  
1503 subparagraph, or (v) a political committee established by or on behalf  
1504 of an individual described in this subparagraph.

1505 (2) No principal of an investment services firm shall make a  
1506 contribution to, or solicit contributions on behalf of, an exploratory  
1507 committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for  
1508 nomination or election to the office of State Treasurer during the term  
1509 of office of the State Treasurer who pays compensation, expenses or  
1510 fees or issues a contract to such firm.

1511 (3) Neither the State Treasurer, the Deputy State Treasurer, any



1512 unclassified employee of the office of the State Treasurer acting on  
1513 behalf of the State Treasurer or Deputy State Treasurer, any candidate  
1514 for the office of State Treasurer, any member of the Investment  
1515 Advisory Council established under section 3-13b nor any agent of any  
1516 such candidate may solicit contributions on behalf of an exploratory  
1517 committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for  
1518 nomination or election to any public office, a political committee or a  
1519 party committee, from a principal of an investment services firm,  
1520 except that the prohibition in this subsection shall not apply to an  
1521 incumbent State Treasurer who establishes an exploratory committee  
1522 or candidate committee for any public office other than State  
1523 Treasurer.

1524 (4) No member of the Investment Advisory Council appointed  
1525 under section 3-13b shall make a contribution to, or solicit  
1526 contributions on behalf of, an exploratory committee or candidate  
1527 committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the  
1528 office of State Treasurer.

1529 (5) The provisions of this subsection shall not restrict an individual  
1530 from establishing an exploratory or candidate committee for the  
1531 individual's own campaign or from soliciting contributions for such  
1532 committees from persons not prohibited from making contributions  
1533 under this subsection.

1534 Sec. 30. Subsection (d) of section 9-333o of the general statutes is  
1535 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
1536 *January 1, 2007, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1537 (d) A political committee organized by a business entity shall not  
1538 make a contribution or contributions to or for the benefit of any  
1539 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or any candidate's  
1540 campaign for election to the office of: (1) Governor, in excess of [five]  
1541 one thousand dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,  
1542 State Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of  
1543 [three thousand] seven hundred fifty dollars; (3) [state senator,]

1544 probate judge or chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, in  
1545 excess of one thousand dollars; (4) state senator, in excess of five  
1546 hundred dollars; (5) state representative, in excess of [five hundred]  
1547 two hundred fifty dollars; or [(5)] (6) any other office of a municipality  
1548 not included in subdivision (3) of this subsection, in excess of two  
1549 hundred fifty dollars; or an exploratory committee, in excess of two  
1550 hundred fifty dollars. [The] Except for contributions to, or for the  
1551 benefit of, a candidate's campaign for the office of Governor,  
1552 Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State  
1553 Comptroller, Attorney General, state senator or state representative,  
1554 the limits imposed by this subsection shall apply separately to  
1555 primaries and elections and contributions by any such committee to  
1556 candidates designated in this subsection shall not exceed one hundred  
1557 thousand dollars in the aggregate for any single election and primary  
1558 preliminary thereto. Contributions to such committees shall also be  
1559 subject to the provisions of section 9-333t, as amended by this act, in  
1560 the case of committees formed for ongoing political activity or section  
1561 9-333u, as amended by this act, in the case of committees formed for a  
1562 single election or primary.

1563 Sec. 31. Section 9-333q of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1564 following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2007, and  
1565 applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter):

1566 (a) No political committee established by an organization shall  
1567 make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, any  
1568 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or for election to the  
1569 office of: (1) Governor, in excess of [two thousand five hundred] one  
1570 thousand dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State  
1571 Treasurer, Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of [one  
1572 thousand five hundred] seven hundred fifty dollars; (3) chief executive  
1573 officer of a town, city or borough, in excess of one thousand dollars; (4)  
1574 state senator or probate judge, in excess of five hundred dollars; or (5)  
1575 state representative or any other office of a municipality not  
1576 [previously] specifically included in this subsection, in excess of two

1577     hundred fifty dollars.

1578         (b) No such committee shall make a contribution or contributions to,  
1579     or for the benefit of, an exploratory committee, in excess of two  
1580     hundred fifty dollars. Any such committee may make unlimited  
1581     contributions to a political committee formed solely to aid or promote  
1582     the success or defeat of a referendum question.

1583         (c) [The] Except for contributions to, or for the benefit of, a  
1584     candidate's campaign for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,  
1585     Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller, Attorney  
1586     General, state senator or state representative, the limits imposed by  
1587     subsection (a) of this section shall apply separately to primaries and  
1588     elections and no such committee shall make contributions to the  
1589     candidates designated in this section which in the aggregate exceed  
1590     fifty thousand dollars for any single election and primary preliminary  
1591     thereto.

1592         (d) No political committee established by an organization shall  
1593     make contributions in any one calendar year to, or for the benefit of, (1)  
1594     the state central committee of a political party, in excess of five  
1595     thousand dollars; (2) a town committee, in excess of one thousand  
1596     dollars; or (3) any political committee, other than an exploratory  
1597     committee or a committee formed solely to aid or promote the success  
1598     or defeat of a referendum question, in excess of two thousand dollars.

1599         (e) No political committee established by an organization shall make  
1600     contributions to the committees designated in subsection (d) of this  
1601     section, which in the aggregate exceed fifteen thousand dollars in any  
1602     one calendar year. Contributions to a political committee established  
1603     by an organization shall also be subject to the provisions of section 9-  
1604     333t, as amended by this act, in the case of a committee formed for  
1605     ongoing political activity or section 9-333u, as amended by this act, in  
1606     the case of a committee formed for a single election or primary.

1607         Sec. 32. Section 9-333s of the general statutes is repealed and the

1608 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2007, and*  
1609 *applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1610 (a) A party committee may make unlimited contributions to, or for  
1611 the benefit of, any of the following: (1) Another party committee; (2) a  
1612 candidate committee other than a candidate committee established to  
1613 aid or promote the success of one candidate for nomination at a  
1614 primary or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,  
1615 Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller, Attorney  
1616 General, state senator or state representative; (3) a national committee  
1617 of a political party; (4) a committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-  
1618 state office; or (5) a political committee.

1619 (b) (1) No state central committee shall make a contribution in  
1620 excess of (A) fifty thousand dollars to a candidate committee  
1621 established to aid or promote the success of one candidate for  
1622 nomination at a primary or election to the office of Governor, (B) ten  
1623 thousand dollars to a candidate committee established to aid or  
1624 promote the success of one candidate for nomination at a primary or  
1625 election to the office of Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,  
1626 State Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney General, (C) five  
1627 thousand dollars to a candidate committee established to aid or  
1628 promote the success of one candidate for nomination at a primary or  
1629 election to the office of state senator, or (D) two thousand five hundred  
1630 dollars to a candidate committee established to aid or promote the  
1631 success of one candidate for nomination at a primary or election to the  
1632 office of state representative.

1633 (2) No town committee shall make a contribution in excess of (A)  
1634 one thousand dollars to a candidate committee established to aid or  
1635 promote the success of one candidate for nomination at a primary or  
1636 election to the office of Governor, or (B) five hundred dollars to a  
1637 candidate committee established to aid or promote the success of one  
1638 candidate for nomination at a primary or election to the office of  
1639 Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State

1640 Comptroller, Attorney General, state senator or state representative.

1641 (3) The limits imposed by this subsection shall not apply separately  
1642 to primaries and elections.

1643 (c) (1) No candidate committee of a candidate for nomination or  
1644 election to the office of Governor shall receive more than (A) fifty  
1645 thousand dollars, in total, from state central committees, or (B)  
1646 seventy-five thousand dollars, in total, from town committees.

1647 (2) No candidate committee of a candidate for nomination or  
1648 election to the office of Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State  
1649 Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State shall receive  
1650 more than (A) ten thousand dollars, in total, from state central  
1651 committees, or (B) twenty thousand dollars, in total, from town  
1652 committees.

1653 (3) No candidate committee of a candidate for nomination or  
1654 election to the office of state senator shall receive more than (A) five  
1655 thousand dollars, in total, from state central committees, or (B) ten  
1656 thousand dollars, in total, from town committees.

1657 (4) No candidate committee of a candidate for nomination or  
1658 election to the office of state representative shall receive more than (A)  
1659 two thousand five hundred dollars, in total, from state central  
1660 committees, or (B) five thousand dollars, in total, from town  
1661 committees.

1662 (5) The limits imposed by this subsection shall not apply separately  
1663 to primaries and elections.

1664 (d) A party committee may also make contributions to a charitable  
1665 organization which is a tax-exempt organization under Section  
1666 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as from time to time amended,  
1667 or make memorial contributions.

1668        [(b)] (e) A party committee may receive contributions from a federal  
 1669        account of a national committee of a political party, but may not  
 1670        receive contributions from any other account of a national committee  
 1671        of a political party or from a committee of a candidate for federal or  
 1672        out-of-state office, for use in the election of candidates subject to the  
 1673        provisions of this chapter.

1674        Sec. 33. Section 9-333t of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1675        following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2007, and*  
 1676        *applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1677        (a) No political committee organized for ongoing political activities  
 1678        shall make contributions to, or for the benefit of, any candidate's  
 1679        campaign for nomination at a primary or for election to the office of:  
 1680        (1) Governor, in excess of one thousand dollars; (2) Lieutenant  
 1681        Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller or  
 1682        Attorney General, in excess of seven hundred fifty dollars; or (3) state  
 1683        senator or state representative, in excess of five hundred dollars. The  
 1684        limits imposed by this subsection shall not apply separately to  
 1685        primaries and elections.

1686        [(a)] (b) A political committee organized for ongoing political  
 1687        activities may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, a  
 1688        party committee; any national committee of a political party; a  
 1689        candidate committee other than a candidate committee established to  
 1690        aid or promote the success of one candidate for nomination at a  
 1691        primary or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,  
 1692        Attorney General, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State  
 1693        Comptroller, state senator or state representative; or a committee of a  
 1694        candidate for federal or out-of-state office. No such political committee  
 1695        shall make a contribution or contributions in excess of two thousand  
 1696        dollars to another political committee in any calendar year except that  
 1697        a political committee organized by a business entity may make  
 1698        unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, another political  
 1699        committee organized by a business entity. No political committee

1700 organized for ongoing political activities shall make a contribution in  
1701 excess of two hundred fifty dollars to an exploratory committee. If  
1702 such an ongoing committee is established by an organization or a  
1703 business entity, its contributions shall be subject to the limits imposed  
1704 by sections 9-333o to 9-333q, inclusive, as amended by this act. A  
1705 political committee organized for ongoing political activities may  
1706 make contributions to a charitable organization which is a tax-exempt  
1707 organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as  
1708 from time to time amended, or make memorial contributions.

1709 [(b)] (c) A political committee organized for ongoing political  
1710 activities may receive contributions from the federal account of a  
1711 national committee of a political party, but may not receive  
1712 contributions from any other account of a national committee of a  
1713 political party or from a committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-  
1714 state office.

1715 Sec. 34. Section 9-333u of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1716 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2007, and*  
1717 *applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1718 (a) No political committee established for a single primary or  
1719 election shall make contributions to, or for the benefit of, any  
1720 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or for election to the  
1721 office of: (1) Governor, in excess of one thousand dollars; (2)  
1722 Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State  
1723 Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of seven hundred fifty  
1724 dollars; or (3) state senator or state representative, in excess of five  
1725 hundred dollars. The limits imposed by this subsection shall not apply  
1726 separately to primaries and elections.

1727 [(a)] (b) A political committee established for a single primary or  
1728 election may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, a  
1729 party committee or a candidate committee other than a candidate  
1730 committee established to aid or promote the success of one candidate  
1731 for nomination at a primary or election to the office of Governor,

1732 Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of the State, State  
 1733 Treasurer, State Comptroller, state senator or state representative, but  
 1734 no such political committee shall make contributions to a national  
 1735 committee, or a committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state  
 1736 office. If such a political committee is established by an organization or  
 1737 a business entity, its contributions shall also be subject to the  
 1738 limitations imposed by sections 9-333o to 9-333q, inclusive, as  
 1739 amended by this act. No political committee formed for a single  
 1740 election or primary shall, with respect to such election or primary  
 1741 make a contribution or contributions in excess of two thousand dollars  
 1742 to another political committee, provided no such political committee  
 1743 shall make a contribution in excess of two hundred fifty dollars to an  
 1744 exploratory committee.

1745 ~~[(b)]~~ (c) A political committee established for a single primary or  
 1746 election shall not receive contributions from a committee of a  
 1747 candidate for federal or out-of-state office or from a national  
 1748 committee.

1749 Sec. 35. Subsection (b) of section 9-333y of the general statutes is  
 1750 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
 1751 *January 1, 2007, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1752 (b) If any campaign treasurer or lobbyist fails to file the statements  
 1753 required by section 9-333j or subsection (g) of section 9-333l, as the case  
 1754 may be, within the time required, [he] the campaign treasurer of  
 1755 lobbyist shall pay a late filing fee of fifty-five dollars. In the case of a  
 1756 statement that is required to be filed with the Secretary of the State, the  
 1757 secretary shall, within ten days after the filing deadline, notify by  
 1758 certified mail, return receipt requested, the person required to file that,  
 1759 if such statement is not filed within twenty-one days after the deadline,  
 1760 the person is in violation of said section or subsection. If the person  
 1761 does not file such statement within twenty-one days after the deadline,  
 1762 the secretary shall notify the State Elections Enforcement Commission  
 1763 within twenty-eight days after the deadline. In the case of a copy of a



1764 statement that is required to be filed with the State Elections  
1765 Enforcement Commission, the commission shall, not later than ten  
1766 days after the filing deadline, notify by certified mail, return receipt  
1767 requested, the person required to file that if such statement is not filed  
1768 within twenty-one days after the deadline the person is in violation of  
1769 section 9-333j. In the case of a statement that is required to be filed with  
1770 a town clerk, the town clerk shall forthwith after the filing deadline  
1771 notify by certified mail, return receipt requested, the person required  
1772 to file that, if such statement is not filed within seven days after  
1773 receiving such notice, the town clerk shall notify the State Elections  
1774 Enforcement Commission that the person is in violation of said section  
1775 or subsection. The penalty for any violation of said section or  
1776 subsection shall be a fine of not more than one thousand dollars or  
1777 imprisonment for not more than one year or both.

1778       Sec. 36. Section 9-7b of the general statutes, as amended by section 2  
1779 of public act 03-223 and sections 53 and 65 of public act 03-241, is  
1780 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
1781 *January 1, 2007, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1782       (a) The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall have the  
1783 following duties and powers:

1784       (1) To make investigations on its own initiative or with respect to  
1785 statements filed with the commission by the Secretary of the State or  
1786 any town clerk, or upon written complaint under oath by any  
1787 individual, with respect to alleged violations of any provision of the  
1788 general statutes or sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38  
1789 and 39 of this act, relating to any election or referendum, any primary  
1790 held pursuant to section 9-423, 9-425 or 9-464 or any primary held  
1791 pursuant to a special act, and to hold hearings when the commission  
1792 deems necessary to investigate violations of any provisions of the  
1793 general statutes or sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38  
1794 and 39 of this act, relating to any such election, primary or referendum,  
1795 and for the purpose of such hearings the commission may administer

1796 oaths, examine witnesses and receive oral and documentary evidence,  
1797 and shall have the power to subpoena witnesses under procedural  
1798 rules the commission shall adopt, to compel their attendance and to  
1799 require the production for examination of any books and papers which  
1800 the commission deems relevant to any matter under investigation or in  
1801 question. In connection with its investigation of any alleged violation  
1802 of any provision of chapter 145, or of any provision of section 9-359 or  
1803 section 9-359a, the commission shall also have the power to subpoena  
1804 any municipal clerk and to require the production for examination of  
1805 any absentee ballot, inner and outer envelope from which any such  
1806 ballot has been removed, depository envelope containing any such  
1807 ballot or inner or outer envelope as provided in sections 9-150a and 9-  
1808 150b and any other record, form or document as provided in section 9-  
1809 150b, in connection with the election, primary or referendum to which  
1810 the investigation relates. In case of a refusal to comply with any  
1811 subpoena issued pursuant to this subsection or to testify with respect  
1812 to any matter upon which that person may be lawfully interrogated,  
1813 the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford, on application of  
1814 the commission, may issue an order requiring such person to comply  
1815 with such subpoena and to testify; failure to obey any such order of the  
1816 court may be punished by the court as a contempt thereof. In any  
1817 matter under investigation which concerns the operation or inspection  
1818 of or outcome recorded on any voting machine, the commission may  
1819 issue an order to the municipal clerk to impound such machine until  
1820 the investigation is completed;

1821 (2) To levy a civil penalty not to exceed (A) two thousand dollars  
1822 per offense against any person the commission finds to be in violation  
1823 of any provision of chapter 145, part V of chapter 146, part I of chapter  
1824 147, chapter 148, section 9-12, subsection (a) of section 9-17, section 9-  
1825 19b, 9-19e, 9-19g, 9-19h, 9-19i, 9-20, 9-21, 9-23a, 9-23g, 9-23h, 9-23j to 9-  
1826 23o, inclusive, 9-26, 9-31a, 9-32, 9-35, 9-35b, 9-35c, 9-40a, 9-42, 9-43, 9-  
1827 50a, 9-56, 9-59, 9-168d, 9-170, 9-171, 9-172, 9-409, 9-410, 9-412, 9-436, 9-  
1828 436a, 9-453e to 9-453h, inclusive, 9-453k, 9-453o, [or] sections 1 to 3,  
1829 inclusive, of [this act] public act 03-241, or sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to

1830 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, or (B) two thousand dollars per  
1831 offense or twice the amount of any improper payment or contribution,  
1832 whichever is greater, against any person the commission finds to be in  
1833 violation of any provision of chapter 150. The commission may levy a  
1834 civil penalty against any person under subparagraph (A) or (B) of this  
1835 subdivision only after giving the person an opportunity to be heard at  
1836 a hearing conducted in accordance with sections 4-176e to 4-184,  
1837 inclusive. In the case of failure to pay any such penalty levied pursuant  
1838 to this subsection [within] not later than thirty days of written notice  
1839 sent by certified or registered mail to such person, the superior court  
1840 for the judicial district of Hartford, on application of the commission,  
1841 may issue an order requiring such person to pay the penalty imposed  
1842 and such court costs, state marshal's fees and attorney's fees incurred  
1843 by the commission as the court may determine. Any civil penalties  
1844 paid, collected or recovered under subparagraph (B) of this  
1845 subdivision for a violation of any provision of chapter 150 applying to  
1846 the office of the Treasurer shall be deposited on a pro rata basis in any  
1847 trust funds, as defined in section 3-13c, affected by such violation;

1848 (3) (A) To issue an order requiring any person the commission finds  
1849 to have received any contribution or payment which is prohibited by  
1850 any of the provisions of chapter 150, after an opportunity to be heard  
1851 at a hearing conducted in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-  
1852 176e to 4-184, inclusive, to return such contribution or payment to the  
1853 donor or payor, or to remit such contribution or payment to the state  
1854 for deposit in the General Fund, whichever is deemed necessary to  
1855 effectuate the purposes of chapter 150;

1856 (B) To issue an order when the commission finds that an intentional  
1857 violation of any provision of chapter 150 has been committed, after an  
1858 opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in accordance with  
1859 sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive, which order may contain one or  
1860 more of the following sanctions: (i) Removal of a campaign treasurer,  
1861 deputy campaign treasurer or solicitor; (ii) prohibition on serving as a  
1862 campaign treasurer, deputy campaign treasurer or solicitor, for a

1863 period not to exceed four years; and (iii) in the case of a party  
1864 committee or a political committee, suspension of all political  
1865 activities, including, but not limited to, the receipt of contributions and  
1866 the making of expenditures, provided the commission may not order  
1867 such a suspension unless the commission has previously ordered the  
1868 removal of the campaign treasurer and notifies the officers of the  
1869 committee that the commission is considering such suspension;

1870 (C) To issue an order revoking any person's eligibility to be  
1871 appointed or serve as an election, primary or referendum official or  
1872 unofficial checker or in any capacity at the polls on the day of an  
1873 election, primary or referendum, when the commission finds such  
1874 person has intentionally violated any provision of the general statutes  
1875 relating to the conduct of an election, primary or referendum, after an  
1876 opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in accordance with  
1877 sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive;

1878 (4) To issue an order to a candidate committee which receives  
1879 moneys from the Citizens' Election Fund pursuant to sections 1 to 4,  
1880 inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, to comply with  
1881 the provisions of said sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and  
1882 38 and 39, after an opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in  
1883 accordance with the provisions of sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive;

1884 ~~[(4)]~~ (5) To inspect or audit at any reasonable time and upon  
1885 reasonable notice the accounts or records of any campaign treasurer or  
1886 principal campaign treasurer, as required by chapter 150 and sections 1  
1887 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, and to audit  
1888 any such election, primary or referendum held within the state;  
1889 provided, (A) (i) not later than two months preceding the day of an  
1890 election at which a candidate is seeking election, the commission shall  
1891 complete any audit it has initiated in the absence of a complaint that  
1892 involves a committee of the same candidate from a previous election,  
1893 and (ii) during the two-month period preceding the day of an election  
1894 at which a candidate is seeking election, the commission shall not

1895 initiate an audit in the absence of a complaint that involves a  
1896 committee of the same candidate from a previous election, and (B) the  
1897 commission shall not audit any caucus, as defined in subdivision (1) of  
1898 section 9-372;

1899     ~~[(5)]~~ (6) To attempt to secure voluntary compliance, by informal  
1900 methods of conference, conciliation and persuasion, with any  
1901 provision of chapters 149 to 153, inclusive, or any other provision of  
1902 the general statutes relating to any such election, primary or  
1903 referendum;

1904     ~~[(6)]~~ (7) To consult with the Secretary of the State, the Chief State's  
1905 Attorney or the Attorney General on any matter which the commission  
1906 deems appropriate;

1907     ~~[(7)]~~ (8) To refer to the Chief State's Attorney evidence bearing upon  
1908 violation of any provision of chapters 149 to 153, inclusive, or any  
1909 other provision of the general statutes or sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to  
1910 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, pertaining to or relating to any  
1911 such election, primary or referendum;

1912     ~~[(8)]~~ (9) To refer to the Attorney General evidence for injunctive  
1913 relief and any other ancillary equitable relief in the circumstances of  
1914 subdivision ~~[(7)]~~ (8) of this [section] subsection. Nothing in this  
1915 subdivision shall preclude a person who claims that ~~[he]~~ such person is  
1916 aggrieved by a violation of any provision of chapter 152 or any other  
1917 provision of the general statutes relating to referenda from pursuing  
1918 injunctive and any other ancillary equitable relief directly from the  
1919 Superior Court by the filing of a complaint;

1920     ~~[(9)]~~ (10) To refer to the Attorney General evidence pertaining to any  
1921 ruling which the commission finds to be in error made by election  
1922 officials in connection with any election, primary or referendum. Those  
1923 remedies and procedures available to parties claiming to be aggrieved  
1924 under the provisions of sections 9-323, 9-324, as amended by this act, 9-  
1925 328 and 9-329a shall apply to any complaint brought by the Attorney

1926 General as a result of the provisions of this subdivision;

1927     [(10)] (11) To consult with the United States Department of Justice  
1928 and the United States Attorney for Connecticut on any investigation  
1929 pertaining to a violation of this section, section 9-12, subsection (a) of  
1930 section 9-17 or section 9-19b, 9-19e, 9-19g, 9-19h, 9-19i, 9-20, 9-21, 9-23a,  
1931 9-23g, 9-23h, 9-23j to 9-23o, inclusive, 9-26, 9-31a, 9-32, 9-35, 9-35b, 9-  
1932 35c, 9-40a, 9-42, 9-43, 9-50a, 9-56 or 9-59 and to refer to said department  
1933 and attorney evidence bearing upon any such violation for prosecution  
1934 under the provisions of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993,  
1935 P.L. 103-31, as amended from time to time;

1936     [(11)] (12) To inspect reports filed with the Secretary of the State and  
1937 with town clerks pursuant to chapter 150 and refer to the Chief State's  
1938 Attorney evidence bearing upon any violation of law therein if such  
1939 violation was committed knowingly and wilfully;

1940     [(12)] (13) To intervene in any action brought pursuant to the  
1941 provisions of sections 9-323, 9-324, as amended by this act, 9-328 and 9-  
1942 329a upon application to the court in which such action is brought  
1943 when in the opinion of the court it is necessary to preserve evidence of  
1944 possible criminal violation of the election laws;

1945     [(13)] (14) To adopt and publish regulations pursuant to chapter 54  
1946 to carry out the provisions of section 9-7a, this section, sections 1 to 4,  
1947 inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, and chapter 150;  
1948 to issue upon request and publish advisory opinions in the  
1949 Connecticut Law Journal upon the requirements of chapter 150 and  
1950 sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act,  
1951 and to make recommendations to the General Assembly concerning  
1952 suggested revisions of the election laws;

1953     [(14)] (15) To the extent that the Elections Enforcement Commission  
1954 is involved in the investigation of alleged or suspected criminal  
1955 violations of any provision of the general statutes or sections 1 to 4,  
1956 inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, pertaining to or

1957 relating to any such election, primary or referendum and is engaged in  
1958 such investigation for the purpose of presenting evidence to the Chief  
1959 State's Attorney, the Elections Enforcement Commission shall be  
1960 deemed a law enforcement agency for purposes of subdivision (3) of  
1961 subsection (b) of section 1-210, provided nothing in this section shall be  
1962 construed to exempt the Elections Enforcement Commission in any  
1963 other respect from the requirements of the Freedom of Information  
1964 Act, as defined in section 1-200;

1965     [(15)] (16) To enter into such contractual agreements as may be  
1966 necessary for the discharge of its duties, within the limits of its  
1967 appropriated funds and in accordance with established procedures;  
1968 and

1969     [(16)] (17) To provide the Secretary of the State with notice and  
1970 copies of all decisions rendered by the commission in contested cases,  
1971 advisory opinions and declaratory judgments, at the time such  
1972 decisions, judgments and opinions are made or issued.

1973     (b) In the case of a refusal to comply with an order of the  
1974 commission issued pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of this  
1975 section, the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford, on  
1976 application of the commission, may issue a further order to comply.  
1977 Failure to obey such further order may be punished by the court as a  
1978 contempt thereof.

1979     Sec. 37. Section 9-324 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1980 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2007, and*  
1981 *applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1982     Any elector or candidate who claims that [he] such elector or  
1983 candidate is aggrieved by any ruling of any election official in  
1984 connection with any election for Governor, Lieutenant Governor,  
1985 Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, State  
1986 Comptroller or judge of probate, held in [his] such elector's or  
1987 candidate's town, or that there has been a mistake in the count of the

1988 votes cast at such election for candidates for said offices or any of  
1989 them, at any voting district in [his] such elector's or candidate's town,  
1990 or any candidate for such an office who claims that [he] such candidate  
1991 is aggrieved by a violation of any provision of [sections] section 9-355,  
1992 9-357 to 9-361, inclusive, 9-364, 9-364a or 9-365 in the casting of  
1993 absentee ballots at such election or any candidate for the office of  
1994 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer,  
1995 Attorney General or State Comptroller, who claims that such candidate  
1996 is aggrieved by a violation of any provision of sections 1 to 4, inclusive,  
1997 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, may bring [his] such  
1998 elector's or candidate's complaint to any judge of the Superior Court,  
1999 in which [he] such elector or candidate shall set out the claimed errors  
2000 of such election official, the claimed errors in the count or the claimed  
2001 violations of said sections. In any action brought pursuant to the  
2002 provisions of this section, the complainant shall send a copy of the  
2003 complaint by first-class mail, or deliver a copy of the complaint by  
2004 hand, to the State Elections Enforcement Commission. If such  
2005 complaint is made prior to such election, such judge shall proceed  
2006 expeditiously to render judgment on the complaint and shall cause  
2007 notice of the hearing to be given to the Secretary of the State and the  
2008 State Elections Enforcement Commission. If such complaint is made  
2009 subsequent to the election, it shall be brought [within] not later than  
2010 fourteen days of the election and such judge shall forthwith order a  
2011 hearing to be had upon such complaint, upon a day not more than five  
2012 nor less than three days from the making of such order, and shall cause  
2013 notice of not less than three nor more than five days to be given to any  
2014 candidate or candidates whose election may be affected by the decision  
2015 upon such hearing, to such election official, the Secretary of the State,  
2016 the State Elections Enforcement Commission and to any other party or  
2017 parties whom such judge deems proper parties thereto, of the time and  
2018 place for the hearing upon such complaint. Such judge shall, on the  
2019 day fixed for such hearing and without unnecessary delay, proceed to  
2020 hear the parties. If sufficient reason is shown, [he] such judge may  
2021 order any voting machines to be unlocked or any ballot boxes to be



2022 opened and a recount of the votes cast, including absentee ballots, to  
 2023 be made. Such judge shall thereupon, in case [he] such judge finds any  
 2024 error in the rulings of the election official, any mistake in the count of  
 2025 the votes or any violation of said sections, certify the result of [his]  
 2026 such judge's finding or decision to the Secretary of the State before the  
 2027 fifteenth day of the next succeeding December. Such judge may order a  
 2028 new election or a change in the existing election schedule. Such  
 2029 certificate of such judge of [his] such judge's finding or decision shall  
 2030 be final and conclusive upon all questions relating to errors in the  
 2031 rulings of such election officials, to the correctness of such count, and,  
 2032 for the purposes of this section only, such claimed violations, and shall  
 2033 operate to correct the returns of the moderators or presiding officers,  
 2034 so as to conform to such finding or decision, unless the same is  
 2035 appealed from as provided in section 9-325.

2036       Sec. 38. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
 2037 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) Not later than May 15, 2006, and annually  
 2038 thereafter, the State Elections Enforcement Commission shall issue a  
 2039 report on the status of the Citizens' Election Fund during the previous  
 2040 calendar year. Such report shall include the amount of moneys  
 2041 deposited in the fund, the sources of moneys received by category, the  
 2042 number of contributions, the number of contributors, the amount of  
 2043 moneys expended by category, the recipients of moneys distributed  
 2044 from the fund and an accounting of the costs incurred by the  
 2045 commission in administering the provisions of sections 1 to 4,  
 2046 inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act. Not later than  
 2047 May 1, 2006, and annually thereafter, the Commissioner of Revenue  
 2048 Services shall submit to the commission the information in the  
 2049 possession of the commissioner which the commission needs to  
 2050 complete such report.

2051       (b) Not later than June 1, 2006, and annually thereafter, the joint  
 2052 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
 2053 matters relating to elections shall submit a report to the General  
 2054 Assembly on the implementation of the provisions of this act. The

2055 report shall include a summary of the report on the status of the fund  
 2056 submitted to the committee under subsection (a) of this section. The  
 2057 report submitted not later than June 1, 2011, and every four years  
 2058 thereafter, shall also include a review of the implementation of the  
 2059 provisions of this act with regard to the election held during the  
 2060 preceding calendar year for the offices of Governor, Lieutenant  
 2061 Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer,  
 2062 Secretary of the State, state senator and state representative.

2063 Sec. 39. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*  
 2064 *2010, and thereafter*) If a court of competent jurisdiction determines that  
 2065 any provision of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and  
 2066 sections 38 and 39 of this act is unconstitutional, such action shall not  
 2067 affect the implementation of all remaining provisions of said sections.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
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Sec. 24	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 25	<i>January 1, 2007, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
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Sec. 35	<i>January 1, 2007, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 36	<i>January 1, 2007, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 37	<i>January 1, 2007, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 38	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 39	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>

***Statement of Purpose:***

To establish a voluntary program of comprehensive campaign finance reform for the election of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer, and Secretary of the State, and state senators and state representatives, starting in 2010. The program would (1) provide grants to candidates who (A) raise threshold levels of qualifying contributions from sources other than state contractors, lobbyists and political committees, and (B) agree to limit campaign spending to qualifying contributions, grants under this program and contributions from political parties, (2) fund the grants through use of a voluntary taxpayer check-off system, donated campaign surpluses, contributions, and payments of civil penalties and late fees imposed by the State Elections Enforcement Commission, the Secretary of the State and the State Ethics Commission, (3) reduce maximum campaign contributions from individuals and (4) impose limits on campaign contributions from political committees established for single elections or ongoing political activities.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*